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# HITLER-MUSSOLINI PLAN TO GIVE SYRIA "PROTECTION"

## Reports of Substantial German Infiltrations into Country

**Damascus, Syria's Key City**

Considered the oldest inhabited city in the world, Damascus, now chief city of Syria, with population of 200,000, guards a fertile patch in the desert. This picture of Damascus shows the Moslem graveyard of Bab Zghir, while in the background is the snow-tipped Anti-Lebanon mountains.



*Special to the "Telegraph"*

**LONDON, June 3 (UP).—**It is now revealed that during their Bronner Pass conversations, Hitler and Mussolini considered a plan to take over the "protection" of Syria. It is stated in the most authentic quarters that both Germany and Italy may soon land troops in French Syria at the "request" of Vichy.

It is noteworthy that the German spokesman in Berlin said that Franco-German consultations might take place if the British attacked Syria.

Authoritative circles state that there is no official confirmation of reported landings of German mechanised units at Latakia on the Syrian coast, 65 miles from Cyprus. This report appeared in the "Daily Mail" from the paper's Madrid correspondent.



# Leakage of War Goods to Axis

## U.S. Congress Wants Action

*Special to the "Telegraph"*

**WASHINGTON, June 3 (UP).—**The House Rules Committee plans to call in military and diplomatic officials to confer with them prior to taking action on the proposed Congressional inquiry into the leakage of war materials to the Axis powers.

# BENGHAZI, TOBRUK RAIDED

**CAIRO, June 3 (Reuter).—**Another attack was made on military objectives in Benghazi by bomber aircraft of the R.A.F. during the night of June 1-2 and a number of explosions were caused in the harbour area, states to-night's R.A.F. Middle East communique.

Two Junkers-88 were destroyed by A.A. fire over Tobruk on June 2. Another enemy aircraft was shot down by A.A. fire off Alexandria during the night of May 31-June 1.

**Abyssinia**

Bombing continued in Abyssinia in the Gondar area, Scioia area, on the Omo River and at Debaroch.

Aircraft of the South African Air Force and the Free French unit took part in these operations.

One of our aircraft is missing. From other fronts there is nothing outstanding to report.

# ADMIRAL HONOURED

**LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—**For distinguished services in effecting the withdrawal from the beaches of Greece under fire and in the face of the great difficulties of many thousands of Allied troops and for "fine services in command of His Majesty's ships at the victory of Cape Matapan," Vice-Admiral H. D. Pridham-Wippell, second in command of the Mediterranean Fleet, has been appointed Knight Commander of the Bath.

This is announced in a supplement to the "London Gazette" to-night.

# Darlan Receives Weygand

**LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—**Admiral Darlan to-day received General Weygand, with whom he talked for some time, states the official German news agency.

# Propaganda Tactics By Nazis

## Busy In Syria

**ANKARA, June 3 (Reuter).—**German propaganda is very active among the Moslems in Syria, it is learned here. They are making great play with the Jewish question and are also distributing food. One hundred and twenty trucks of sugar, wheat, rice and aviation spirit have arrived at Aleppo. The food was given to the populace while the spirit was kept for the Luftwaffe.

As regards the local population, all experts agree that the Syrian Christians are openly pro-British. German propaganda has also failed to succeed among the Shia Moslem minority while the attitude of the French is mixed.

**Air Deserter**

It is reported that recently, from three flights sent up to chase the British from the Ryak airport, two joined the British and flew to Palestine. Syria's main oil refinery at Tripoli was badly damaged by sabotage early in May.

The more I talk with those recently in Syria the stronger is the impression that whoever gets to Syria first, whether British or Germans, will meet with very little opposition. Everybody seems disgusted with Vichy mis-rule and would welcome the restoration of law and order.

**German Influence**

Apparently there are no Germans in uniform in Syria yet, only a large air force personnel and ground staff, but according to a Turkish resident in Syria of long standing, "every day the Germans are growing more powerful and more active."

Britain has no time to lose, he added, as the Germans are doing their utmost to stir up religious discord. He would not be surprised if religious riots and fights broke out at any moment.

**CAIRO, June 3 (Reuter).—**The briefest communique from Headquarters in the Middle East for a very long time says: "On all fronts there is no change in the situation."

# Miners Trapped In Deep Undersea Coal Workings

**LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—**Many coal miners are believed to be trapped in remote workings far under the sea at William Pit, Whitehaven, Cumberland, as the result of an underground explosion to-day.

Rescue workers from all mining areas in Cumberland were rushed to the scene and some men have been brought to the surface, suffering from serious burns.

Rescuers were still striving desperately to-night to reach the men still trapped.

William Pit is the oldest undersea coal mine in Britain, having been sunk in 1812. Some of the workings extend seven miles under the sea.

# LABOUR'S SOLID AIM

**LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—**Labour to-day is united in the cause of freedom, declared M. Camille Huysmans, President of the Labour and Socialist International, at to-day's session of the Labour Party Conference.

Mr. George Gibson, Chairman of the Trades Union Congress, said that the working people would not be behind if the country reached the stage when further sacrifices were called for, but there would be no wage cutting until unlimited dividends were sacrificed.

The session concluded with the delegates standing in silence in honour of comrades on the Continent suffering under the heel of tyranny. They sang the "Internationale."

**Time For Action**

This must be prevented at all costs and it appears that immediate action is necessary. There is no time for hesitation and delay. The kid gloves must be taken off.

The Vichy Government may be regarded as unfriendly, but Vichy does not carry half the French people or half the French soldiers with it. These hate the Nazis and would willingly join the cause of the democracies if only they saw some support within reach.

General Catroux, the Free French C-in-C in the Near East, is believed to have returned to Cairo to-day.

# Missing From Crete

**2,800 New Zealanders**

**WELLINGTON, June 3 (Reuter).—**Altogether 2,800 New Zealand soldiers are unaccounted for following the Crete evacuation, according to information at present in the Government.

This was announced by the Acting Prime Minister, Mr. Walter Nash, to-day.

He said that the majority should probably be correctly recorded as missing.

Some thousands, he added, had arrived in Egypt from Crete, including 700 wounded.

# MALTA SCORES Unimportant Raids

**MALTA, June 3 (Reuter).—**British fighters shot down into the sea one Junkers-52 troop-carrier this afternoon.

Announcing this, a communique states that all British machines returned safely.

The incident occurred during the second air raid alarm to-day, but on the first occasion enemy planes merely flew over the island, presumably on reconnaissance.

There were also two alarms on Monday.

No incidents followed the first while on the second occasion, enemy aircraft were driven off by anti-aircraft fire, dropping their bombs into the sea.

# Americans Now In Favour Of U.S. Convoying War Supplies

**NEW YORK, June 3 (Reuter).—**A Gallup survey on the question, "Should the United States Navy be used to guard the ships carrying war materials to Britain?" resulted as follows:

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No.—40 per cent.  
Undecided.—8 per cent.

The survey was completed before the President's fireside talk.

## Five State Analyses

Dr Gallup notes that just after war began 21 months ago, 84 per cent. wanted American ships to stay out of the war zone. Five of the largest State analyses on the current question were as follows:

	Yes	No	Undecided
New York	50	44	6
Pennsylvania	52	41	7
Illinois	40	48	12
Ohio	48	43	9
California	50	44	6

# Serious Words On Shipping Losses

LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—

The shipping situation is very serious, Mr Emmanuel Shinwell, M.P., told the Labour Party conference to-day.

"Unless we can speedily repair our vessels damaged by enemy action and replace those lost by the result of our own efforts and the help of America, I doubt whether victory is within sight," he said.

In the ultimate, he added, victory

# AXIS MINISTERS' TOKYO TALKS

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**

**TOKYO, June 3 (Domel).—**Major General Eugen Ott, the German Ambassador to Japan, called on the Foreign Minister, Mr. Yosuke Matsukata, at the Foreign Office at 2.30 p.m. to-day and conferred for about an hour. The Italian Ambassador to Japan, Signor Mario Imbriani, called on Mr. Chulchi Onishi, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, at the Foreign Office at 5 p.m. and conferred for about an hour. The contents of the interviews were not disclosed.

# Chungking Suffers Heavy Casualties in New Raid

**CHUNGKING, June 3 (Reuter).—**Casualties in yesterday's bombing were probably higher than those in any previous raid this year, according to reports from various quarters.

Many factors contributed to this misfortune. Seventy-seven people were killed and many were injured in one dug-out which was constructed, not for the populace but for trucks. This dug-out was without any protection at the entrance.

After an urgent alarm, many people flooded into this dug-out for trucks which enters straight into a rock for some distance without any turn. It has no stones at the entrance, as there are in all dug-outs for the populace.

One bomb landed directly in front of the entrance.

Many men who remained with their boats were killed and their boats were blown up when bombs dropped in the Yangtze and Chialing river fronts.

**Tale of Heroism**

Casualties were high at Chalingpen, a densely populated town on the north bank of the Chialing river opposite Chungking, where many bombs were dropped.

A tale of heroism is told of an old woman who was killed in an attempt to save the life of a child. When the raiders appeared, the child was running in the street. The old woman, who was already safely sheltered, dashed out into the street to bring the child into the dug-out. Both were killed.

**Kian Raided**

**KIAN, June 3 (Central News).—**Eight Japanese planes flying from their base in Hupoh, early this morning raided Kian and dropped bombs over the suburbs. Most bombs fell in open spaces.

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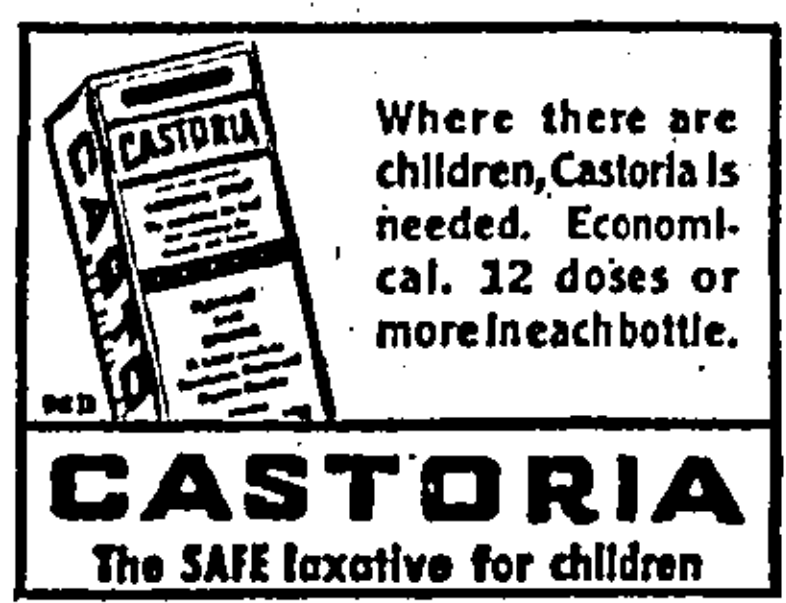
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## WHAT IF THE DICTATORS DO MEET!

The two Fascist dictators have met again and the usual pastime of guessing why and what resulted therefrom is in full swing. Opinions vary: The meeting was designed to set a date for the invasion of Britain; to discuss measures for continuing the battle of the Mediterranean; to bawled between themselves President Roosevelt's speech. These and others are the popular theories, although just what it matters anyhow is a little difficult to understand. The meeting may have been for example, simply a Whitsun Parade for the purpose of gaining a bit of world-wide publicity, especially when it is remembered that Mussolini has been pushed rather severely in the background in consequence of his inept military campaigns of the past ten months.

Most important point is that demonstrative parleys between Hitler and Mussolini no longer possess any particular significance for Britain and her Allies. Neither political nor military surprises are any longer on the cards. Of possibilities, there are many, but they can be, and surely are being, anticipated to the full; wherefore it is well to appreciate that (a) Britain is more than ever prepared to meet and withstand an invasion, (b) that although the situation in the Mediterranean provides some anxiety consequent upon the fall of Greece and Crete, our military dispositions along the vital southern frontier of Syria have been strengthened, while troops from Abyssinia are now available for action elsewhere, (c) that while engaged in full dress battles in the eastern Mediterranean and northern Africa, we successfully dealt with a threatening situation in Iraq.

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## By Air Commodore P. F. M. Fellowes, D.S.O.

SOME irreverent person once said the barrage balloon resembled an elephant that had received bad news.

There is also the delightful story of the old Londoner who, at the beginning of the war, was heard to say:—

"However long those blooming Huns stay up there in their balloons, they won't frighten me!"

In short, the balloons are treated by the public with a certain levity. And I myself must confess that I have always doubted the economic and tactical value of the great balloon organisation we have built up.

Nevertheless, that does not diminish my great respect for the thoroughness and efficiency with which the plan has been carried out.

There is, in fact, no question that the balloons have reached a remarkably high standard of organisation under the command of Air Chief Marshal Sir E. L. Gossage.

Now the purpose of the barrage balloon is two-fold. It is to keep aircraft to such a height that they are unable to carry out accurate dive-bombing and to keep them at such a height that anti-aircraft gunfire can conveniently get at them.

It will be appreciated that if the aircraft fly at very low levels, anti-aircraft guns could not be trained fast enough to enable them to follow the target.

### Kept High

Barrage balloons are probably the most effective method of protecting small targets of great value from surprise dive-bombing attacks, but I know that they are not of any great value in protecting large areas from medium or high bombing attacks.

My reason for this belief is that I am sure the vast majority of enemy airmen have not sufficient determination to come down very low over our country.

I believe it is only the exceptional men who are prepared to do this—because once they are down low they are very liable to be caught and shot down, either by our fighters or by machine-gun fire from the ground.

The average man in an aeroplane when over enemy country, likes to remain as high above that country as he can, while carrying out the duty for which he is detailed.

An objection is raised that if you protect only the valuable targets, the balloons will give away their exact position, but this is not really cogent, because if there is any wind the balloon will trail a long way to leeward.

reanean and the defence of Suez; nevertheless Crete served a very important and highly useful purpose; it delayed the enemy away their exact position, but this is not really cogent, because if there is any wind the balloon will trail a long way to leeward.

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A really full-out pilot—and these do not by any means grow on every gooseberry bush—will take a chance and dive between balloons if he can see them.

He knows that the wire always lies in a curve below, and in a line with the longer axis of the balloon.

Another objection to the barrage balloons is that they are a source of great danger and mental discomfort to our own pilots.

If an aircraft hits a balloon wire it is not by any means certain that the aircraft will be brought down—but it is certainly not a chance that any pilot in the world will take if he can avoid it.

A machine hitting a balloon wire is quite likely to cut the cable, even if it is not brought down itself. If a propeller hits a balloon wire it will be damaged, but the aircraft may still be able to fly.

### Moral Effect

If a very large aeroplane runs into a balloon wire, the chances are very much in favour of the aircraft and against the balloon wire.

However, there is no question that the balloon wires have a tremendous moral effect on ordinary men (although, once more, the extraordinary man regards it only as another war risk).

It is interesting to realise that in peace time the mere presence of balloons would keep all pilots at least 10 miles away from the vicinity unless the visibility was extraordinarily clear.

The handling of a balloon in open country in fair weather can only be done successfully by trained and experienced personnel, but in really bad weather, in confined places in large cities, it is a task which requires not only training and experience, but qualities of real resource and initiative.

In a high wind, a partially-deflated balloon can behave like a bucking and bad-tempered horse.

If it tears a fin, or is damaged in some way so as to put it out of balance, its behaviour can be indescribable, except perhaps by a well-educated sailor or old-fashioned cab driver.

The winch itself is a complicated piece of mechanism which requires skill and a high standard of training to manipulate, while regassing under certain atmospheric conditions can be dangerous.

### They Go To Sea

The smoothness and efficiency with which this great organisation now runs, when the difficulties and possibilities of making mistakes are evaluated, is most remarkable.

The balloons, which originally were confined to land defence, have now taken to the sea.

On the water they are used not only from stationary barges—to safeguard important channels from magnetic and other mine laying—but in convoys, to guard against low bombing attacks.

In future it is quite conceivable that they may be used in convoy work for observation work against submarines.

In the last war kite-balloons were used to sit up in their line, liable all the time to be shot down by incendiary bullets, while they were calmly and quietly observing enemy gun fire.

# Real purpose of the BALLOON BARRAGE



Handling a balloon requires training and experience, resource and initiative.

With this example before us, such enormous heights, and can see no reason why observers in balloons should not be utilised for convoy work.

Here they would be of immense value.

With powerful binoculars, they would have a field of view which would enable them to spot any submarine, moving either on the surface or with its periscope above water, for, perhaps, a circumference of twenty miles.

There is, of course, the objection that a barrage balloon would give away the position of a convoy. But the smoke of a convoy already does this.

### Up And Up

And in order that the submarine should spot the balloon it has got to come to the surface, or, at any rate, projects its periscope.

It is highly probable, therefore, that the balloon would spot the submarine first, if it were in movement. The line of foam drawn by a submarine periscope on the surface of the water is very distinctive.

As is generally known, we are now developing balloons which will go to a much greater height.

This idea will reduce the determination of enemy pilots by adding to their uncertainties. It will be useful at night.

There are many other methods now under experiment for combating the night bomber. I am not free to discuss them yet.

But I can say that, in conjunction with the balloons, and our night fighters, and our anti-aircraft, these should shortly make this country so unpleasant to the enemy that he will, to a large extent, cease to visit us.

At present the anti-aircraft organisation that we are building up in this country has to suffer from one great defect. It is static.

That is to say, if you put a gun down near London it is of no use to Manchester or Birmingham.

It is here that the fighter—or any aircraft utilising any system of combating the bomber—possesses such a great advantage in its mobility.

### Better Defences

However, our anti-aircraft methods are rapidly becoming more efficient. It is our searchlights at present, which have proved ineffective—not through any fault of their own, but because enemy aircraft are now flying at

Sound travels at approximately 1,100 feet a second, and if you like to calculate what this means with an aeroplane travelling at 250 m.p.h., at 30,000 feet, you will appreciate how difficult it is to lay a gun on to an aeroplane with any device relying upon sound, even if it continues to fly in a straight line at the same height.

Furthermore, both our own and enemy pilots do their utmost to confuse and check-mate the anti-aircraft automatic calculating devices.

### Omnibus Methods

Particularly when you realise that a shell, to do any serious harm to an aircraft has to burst within 30 to 70 yards of it, according to size.

Also, to burst that shell accurately anywhere the gun has to be laid exactly on the right spot and the time-fuse has to be accurate to a very small proportion of a second.

This short discussion on the anti-aircraft organisation for long range work is meant only to illustrate the extreme difficulty of obtaining results important enough to dissuade the enemy from attacking us.

My remarks, of course, do not apply to aeroplanes which come down very low and fly over areas protected by light, automatic or machine guns.

Here the only safeguard of the aeroplane against well-armed fire by determined and highly-trained gun crews is surprise.

Finally, we can comfort ourselves by the knowledge that our omnibus methods of combating attacks from the air have proved so effective, despite their limitations, that we have strongly discouraged the enemy from carrying out attacks by day over the country.

And we are in process of discouraging them to the same extent from carrying out attacks by night.

To-morrow—

**THE COASTAL COMMAND**



# Private Support Sought For Lantau Village Settlement

A meeting of the Central Committee of the Lantau and Port Shelter Village Settlement Scheme was held yesterday when following an outline of the present position by the Chairman, Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, Director of Medical Services, the Committee decided to continue to function.

A sub-committee was appointed to draw up a scheme whereby the Lantau Village Settlement proposals could be financed by private interests.

Dr Selwyn-Clarke said:

I should like to preface my remarks by expressing my very warm appreciation to all Chairmen and members of sub-committees and to the District Officers, North and South, and others who have expended so much of their time, energy and money in connection with the Lantau and Port Shelter Village Settlement Scheme.

I feel that the very least I can do is to acquaint you with the events that led up to the meeting on March 1, and with the position to-day.

On February 26, I was authorised by the Governor-in-Council to take steps to implement as soon as possible and subject to the consent of the Finance Committee the recommendations of a Committee appointed in the previous December by General Norton. These recommendations related, in the main, to the reduction of the congestion in the urban area and were, originally, closely linked to the same.

On February 28, I received the following minute from the Financial Secretary: "You explained the scheme for camps to receive 5,000 people on Lantau and at Sai Kung to the Finance Committee at the informal meeting on February 27 and you were authorised to go ahead with the formation of the nuclei camps."

You will recall that I invited you to a meeting at Medical Headquarters on the following day, when I explained the proposals and, on your advice, sent out invitations to leading members of the community to serve on sub-committees concerned with family settlement, housing, agriculture, transport, marketing, medical and welfare services, protection and education.

Meetings of the sub-committees were held and many visited both Lantau and Port Shelter. Valuable data collected and most helpful suggestions were put forward by the sub-committees.

Careful surveys were made of the areas and plans were prepared. Confirmatory reports were obtained as regards water supplies and suitability of land for cultivation. Approval was obtained for the siting of maturing tanks to provide cheap fertiliser of proved manurial value.

Investigations were also made as to the practicability of additional revenue-producing activities in the proposed settlement areas, e.g., grass cutting, granite block and chip making, sale of water, cultivation of sugar cane, etc., and encouragement was received from the Dairy Farm, Military Authorities and commercial bodies interested in the preparation of industrial alcohol and cane sugar from molasses.

On March 10, the Financial Secretary authorised the expenditure of \$112.50 on 10,000 copies of application forms for land in the Lantau and Port Shelter Areas; since the local community had become keenly interested in the settlement scheme in the preceding fortnight and had inundated the sub-committees and Medical Headquarters with letters applying for land.

On March 10, Sir Geoffrey Northcote who had returned from leave since the first meeting of the Central Committee wrote to me as follows: "I hope very much to get the Agricultural Settlements Scheme going quickly and my comments have that object in view."

His Excellency had considerable experience in agricultural settlement schemes in Kenya and expressed the opinion that it was desirable to allow for a period of at least 12 months before the settlements could be regarded as being on a self-supporting basis. He further directed me to submit details of expenditure on this basis.

Accordingly I submitted details to Government on April 15. The cost of establishing three agricultural settlements on Lantau and two in the Port Shelter area was estimated at \$22,270 for capital expenditure and \$240,532 as recurrent expenditure, the major portion of the latter being referable to the allowance for subsistence at \$6 per head per month for 2,000 persons for 12 months, and not being annually recurrent.

These figures are admittedly much higher than that originally contemplated, owing largely to the need already stated to provide for subsistence to settlers over a much longer period.

In a later memorandum submitted to Government on May 14 I showed that the financial return from two settlements of 200 families (with 1,000 persons in each settlement with an average of from a half to two acres per family depending upon the nature of the ground) should bring in about \$600 an acre a year or \$240,000 a year starting from the end of the first year.

The Governor-in-Council gave very careful consideration to this scheme and eventually authorised me to submit two proposals for further consideration by Government: one relating to the financial outlay would be met by private interests and Government would, if it approved the scheme, assist by allowing the land to be held under easy terms and in certain technical matters, and one relating to Sai Kung (Hebe Haven) portion of the original scheme.

month and should not be needed after the first 12 months.

On a similar modified basis and making use of two areas on Lantau in the first instance, with 200 families or 1,000 persons, the capital cost would amount to \$27,120 and the recurrent cost \$100,000 (on a generous basis) of which \$72,000 would represent subsistence at \$6 a head a month for 12 months and would not be annually recurrent.

If, as I believed, the scheme was successful, the number of persons who could be settled in this area would be multiplied many times with the corresponding reduction in the cost per head, since much of the capital and recurrent expenditure, e.g., anti-malarial work, would cover the requirements of a much larger number of persons in the same area. It is very necessary to bear this in mind when considering the financial aspect of the scheme on a per capita basis.

The question now arises as to whether private interests will be agreeable to submit proposals which will enable the scheme to be operated.

I submit that the scheme can be looked at from two angles: firstly, as a means of facilitating the development of agricultural settlements on Lantau and so giving selected families who have sought asylum in this Colony and cannot return to their homes in occupied China an opportunity of establishing homes, of becoming self-supporting and self-respecting units once again, and of helping to increase the food supplies; and, secondly, as a means of encouraging the more fortunate members of the community to make country homes for their families and themselves without assistance other than the indirect help resulting from anti-malarial and other health measures, protection by the Police, etc.

In discussing this point with Sir Geoffrey Northcote on Whit Monday, the Governor expressed the view that it would certainly be to the advantage of the scheme to have both classes of resident, since the non-assisted would serve as a market for the produce grown in the nearby agricultural settlement, especially in the earlier days when little was available for export to Hongkong or Kowloon.

As a sign of his sympathetic interest, he authorised me to apply, through the appropriate channels, for the continuance for a further period of three months of the ban against alienation of land and similar transactions in the areas shown on the plans, both on Lantau and in the Sai Kung Hebe Haven Area of Port Shelter.

As regards the actual terms for the holding of land, His Excellency also informed me that, as far as his land scheme in Kenya was concerned, the land was on a basis of 10 cents an acre. In this connexion he expressed the view that the revenue to Government from the rentals from the lease of land at \$6, \$4 and \$2 for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Class agricultural land on Lantau was likely to be of no great moment.

His Excellency further directed me to transmit the relevant papers to the Land Officer and Superintendent of Crown Lands for their expert views on the question of land tenure, especially that portion for unassisted settlers, when the scheme for development by private interests to finance the project was ready for consideration.

The question of how to prepare such a scheme and how best to interest the Chinese banks of other groups in it is one on which I have given a considerable amount of thought and I should be most grateful to members of the Central Committee for any advice they may care to give on the subject.

I shall then be in a position to approach the group of groups named on behalf of the Committee and, finally, to submit concrete proposals to Government as directed.

A spirited discussion took place and it was resolved with one dissentient that the Central Committee should continue to function.

It was furthermore, unanimously resolved that a sub-committee should be appointed, comprising Mr. Li Jow-son, Mr. Lee Yu-chung, Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan and Mr. Tsai Po-ling, to co-operate with Mr. Yeung Tsun-dai and any other member of the community whom the sub-committee considered advisable; that this sub-committee should draw up a scheme whereby the Lantau Village Settlement proposals could be financed by private interests and that the sub-committee should submit the scheme to the Central Committee as soon as possible.

To Relieve Congestion The District Officer South, while declining the invitation to serve on the sub-committee, undertook to give such help as was in his power.

It was agreed by Mr. L. S. Westcott, Miss Elliot and other members that the idea behind the scheme was to relieve the overcrowding in the town and provide a means of livelihood for those prepared to work hard, and to help the food supply by the cultivation of vegetables and so forth.

The Chairman laid on the table the plans of houses for added settlers which had been drawn up by Mr. Tsai Po-ling and members of the Housing Sub-Committee. He also read an important minute by the Agricultural Adviser in which it was stated that \$27.25 per mow per annum could be obtained from sloping land; provided the workers were skilled farmers and had water, manure, etc., provided that the return would not be available for at least eight months from the commencement of operations, that also mow (1 1/2 acres) of hill slopes gave

approximately 5 1/2 mow of cultivated land after terracing had been completed and that this area would require approximately four men to carry out the intensive cultivation of such an area.

A tribute was paid from the Chair to the valuable work performed by Mr. Westcott who had acted as General Secretary to the Central Committee up to May 21.

Those present at the meeting were:—Miss Elliot, Messrs. L. S. Westcott, Mr. Li Jow-son, Mr. Lee Yu-chung, Mr. Ngan Shing-kwan, Mr. Tsai Po-ling, Mr. C. N. Li, C. Curtis, Young Tsun-dai, Ngan Shing-kwan.

## Arts And Crafts

### Preview of Exhibition Shows High Quality

A preview of the Arts and Crafts Exhibition of schools of the Colony arranged by the Education Department, was given for the Press yesterday at the Northcote Training College.

The exhibition, which opens at 10 a.m. to-day, will be repeated tomorrow, closing each day at 7.30 p.m., and has as its object an easy means for the exchange of ideas between the schools themselves, and at the same time gives parents and others interested in education the opportunity of seeing the results since the introduction of the Art and Craft syllabus a year ago. The emphasis throughout is on the cultivation of the individual rather than the arrangement of the exhibition has been to show, where possible, correlation with other schoolwork, such as geometry, arithmetic, science, geography, history, etc. A particularly good example is that of the bamboo. On the one hand there is the pictorial history of the bamboo, showing the various stages of its transformation from a plant to a commercial product; and on the other, miniature furniture, window-blinds and so on made of bamboo.

Many models are the result of group work, with the children working under a leader, and planning their composite work. Both are of an extraordinarily high standard. For sheer artistry and precise handiwork the animals and birds made of fish-bones must take first place; and worthy of the professional are some of the paintings of pure Chinese inspiration, and the portrait and still life colour-washes. Another series of work that commands one's admiration is the paper weaving, where strips of 1/32 of an inch are laced into intricate designs. Of the working models the most interesting are the electric fans, standing no more than two inches high, which use torchlight batteries for power.

The organisers of this exhibition hope that it will go far to dispel and kill the remnants of the old antagonism that applied art belongs only to the technical and purely vocational schools, and is unnecessary because at present it has not found its way into the examination group of subjects. The general group of schools here to applied arts and the methods employed, while being adapted to local conditions, are modelled on those already in existence in England and the United States.

## Governor To Open George V Park

It was announced at yesterday's meeting of the Urban Council that His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, would open the King George V Memorial Park, Kowloon, on June 11 at 6 p.m.

In making this announcement, Hon. Mr. W. J. Carrie, Chairman, said a fund was collected in 1936-1937 for a park to commemorate King George V, and it was decided that the carrying out of the work and maintenance of the field be in the hands of the Council.

## Turkey's Wordy War With Darlan

ANKARA, June 3 (Reuters).—The Ankara radio continued to attack Admiral Darlan regarding his references to Turkey in his recent speech. Quoting a Turkish newspaper, the announcer said that it seems that Admiral Darlan, in his intolerant complaint against Britain, brimming with wrath, has also uttered words likely to hurt the feelings of the Turkish people. It is an irony of fate that Darlan is ready to surrender all France and her colonies to the Germans but deprecates that France could not take away Adana from the Turks.

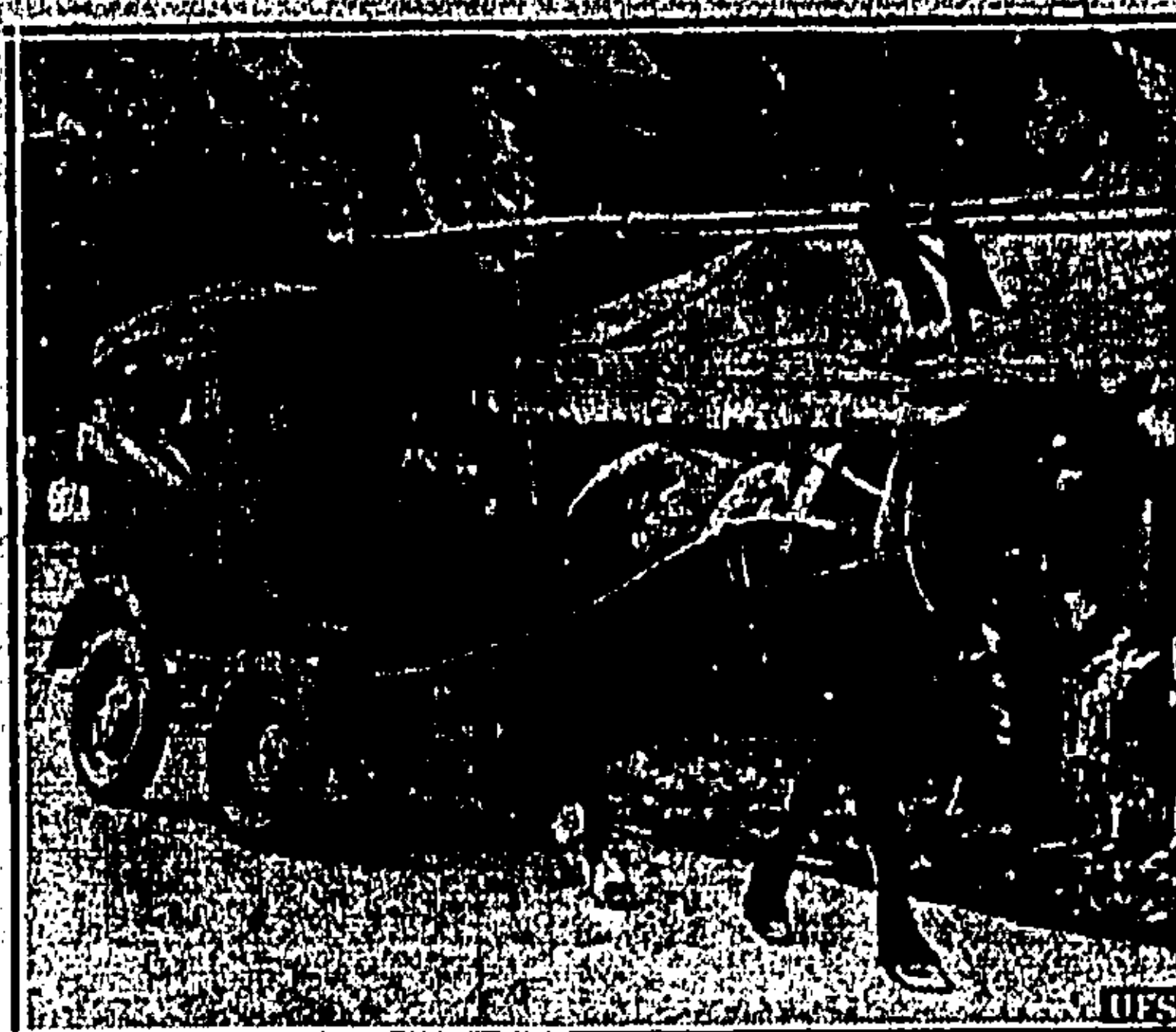
An Istanbul newspaper asks: "Don't the Vichy statesmen realise that they are debating themselves by accusing Britain in the matter of a solution of the Alexandretta issues?"

## Tai Hang Road Lot Upset Price Doubled

Brisk bidding featured the sale of two lots of Crown land at the Public Works Department Offices yesterday afternoon.

The first lot to come under the hammer was Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4,300, at the junction of Playing Field Road and Tung Choi Street, Mongkok, covering an area of about 3,600 sq. ft. It was sold for \$12,900 to a syndicate comprising Messrs. Wong Koon-wai, Wong Ping-fan, Lee Yuk-lan, Ko Man and Ng Shun-chuen. The upset price was \$5,100 and the annual Crown rental is \$86.

The second lot was Inland Lot No. 0,185, in Tai Hang Road, west of Inland Lot No. 3,454 and comprising about 7,600 sq. ft. This was sold to Mr. Chai Wai-kong, wife of Dr. W. K. Chai, for \$18,700. The upset price being \$7,000. Bids rose, at \$100 a time, and several parties were interested. The annual Crown rental is \$125.



**NIPPON TRANSPORTATION**—Japan feels shortage of gasoline like most European and Asiatic countries nowadays. This Nipponese rides in ancient horse-drawn carriage, in Tokyo suburbs, since available gasoline goes to army.

## Chinese Military Supply Bonds Campaign Launched

The N.C.\$1,000,000 subscriptions campaign for the Chinese Military Supply Bonds, organised by Chinese Christians in Hongkong, was formally launched at a ceremony held at the Chinese Merchants Club.

Those present included the captains of various solicitation units. Following a prayer conducted by Pastor Li Kou-yan, Mr. Lam Tse-fung, who presided, reported that already N.C.\$500,000 subscriptions had been realised and expressed the hope that the goal of N.C.\$1,000,000 would not be difficult to attain.

Sir Shouson Chow urged his audience to subscribe to as many bonds as possible. Chinese women, business, cultural and youth organisations in Hongkong have also started subscriptions campaigns for the Bonds. It is learned that the workers of the Commercial Press, Ltd. will contribute two days' salaries for the purchase of the Bonds.

**Mr Fitch's Plea** CHUNGKING, June 3 (International).—There is no place in the world where help is more needed, where our money will bring greater returns and where help is more truly deserved and appreciated than in China," said Mr George A. Fitch, veteran "Y" worker who is now connected with the National Committee of the Young Men's Christian Association of China Emergency Service to Soldiers.

## Working Out P. I. Export Control

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"** MANILA, June 3 (Dome).—Mr Charles Yost, Assistant Chief of the Division of Control of the State Department, arrived here yesterday and told newspapermen that export-control would be carried out as simply as possible in order to prevent serious damage to the Philippine export trade.

Instead of a highly troublesome license system for each individual class of goods, Mr Yost said that a generalised and broad licensing system will be adopted for goods, except those which are officially designated.

**No Copper Ore For Japan** The "Manila Daily Bulletin" reported that the High Commissioner, Mr Francis Sayre, acting on the order of the State Department, rejected the application for export of copper ore to Japan. Observers regard this action as being in line with the copper control measures of the Office for Production Management and predict that exports to foreign countries of scrap iron, copper ore and copper concentrates will be entirely prohibited.

## Winant Sees Mr Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, June 3 (Reuters).—President Roosevelt conferred for an hour to-day with Dr John D. Winant, United States Ambassador to Great Britain.

Mr Winant, it was noted, was carrying a bulging brief case when he entered the White House. He remained for luncheon at which Mr Harry Hopkins, who is charged with the carrying out of the Aid For Britain programme, was also present.

## Springboks To Fight In North Africa

PRETORIA, June 3 (Reuters).—Field Marshal Jan Smuts, broadcasting on the anniversary of the departure of the South African troops for East Africa, said that the Italian menace there had been eliminated and another illustrious chapter added to South African history.

South Africans were now going forward to meet the more formidable German forces in North Africa. Heavier fighting was expected. The country, therefore, needed a constant inflow of volunteers to keep the units at the front at full strength and a new call would not be made in vain.

## Enemy Troops In France Raided

LONDON, June 3 (Reuters).—A column of enemy troops and an armoured train, attacked by British fighters operating from Northern France, and the Channel, to-day, were destroyed.

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# NANCY



## Boy Helped To Save Trapped Men In Factory, Gets George Medal

A London boy of 16 has had an act of rare courage rewarded with the George Medal. The boy, John Cain, a Hackney costermonger, joined four constables, who also receive George Medals, at a fire at a bombed paint factory. He knew that several people were trapped in a shelter directly under the fire, and after being repelled several times by smoke and heat, he managed to join the officers in the basement.

All five had to pass through burning wreckage, paint, water, and "live" electric wires dropping round them from the ceiling. Paint was inches deep on the floor, and soon the rescuers were saturated.

Although part of the basement had collapsed, trapping several men, and the flames were rapidly approaching, the officers and the boy freed six men and carried them on doors and planks to waiting ambulances. A few minutes after the last victim had been removed the whole interior of the building collapsed.

### Dropped His Darts

I found "Buster" Cain, as he is locally known, in the Ridley-street market at Dalston, where he helps his mother to run her vegetable stall when he is not going round with a barrow on his own account, writes a "Daily Telegraph" reporter.

He was very diffident about his part in the "incident" which won for him the coveted George Medal.

"I was in a club near the paint shop having a game of darts at the time, see," he began. "When the bomb fell I ran out and saw the place on fire. I told a policeman that there were probably some people in the shelter under the factory, and I went in with several policemen to try to find them. There were 34 men in the shelter, and we managed to get them all out."

### Some Dead

"Then I said to the police, 'There must have been some men working in the factory.' So we went back again. We found them in the far corner in a heap. Some of them were dead, but there were some still alive, and these we also managed to get out. That's all there was to it."

"And what did you do afterwards?" I asked.

"I went back and had a drink," he said.

"Buster's" mother said that the boy was the youngest of a family of 13 of whom only four boys survived. "He was a twin with a girl who died," she said. "He was only 2½ when he was born, and for six months we had to keep him wrapped in olive oil and cotton wool." The boy was 16 in January, two months after the deed which won him his medal, but with his thick-set, sturdy build and height of over 5ft he could pass for being in his early 20's.

## French Ex-Leaders Are Harshly Treated Aftermath in France

VICHY, France, April 25.—The physician attending former French leaders now held at Bourassol Chateau, near Riom, says he has been called to "intervene energetically" against what he called "inhuman treatment" of the fallen statesmen.

The charge was made by Dr Roulet in the Paris newspaper "Le Matin," in telling of the living conditions of former premiers Edouard Daladier and Leon Blum, General Gamelin, former Allied commander-in-chief, and Guy La Chambre, former air minister.

Authorised circles here said that, up to now, the Paris newspapers had been picturing the prisoners as living in ease, and apparently had been ordered to change their tone for some reasons.

### Heatless Quarters

"The first to call me in for consultation was Gen. Gamelin," Dr Roulet wrote. "Like the others, he had the slightest heat. I treated him and made a report, as a result of which 20 tons of coal were placed at the disposal of the prisoners and their guards."

Vichy circles explained the absence of fuel resulted from a snowstorm that fell up traffic, the physical ailments, Gen. Gamelin had to make a sharp protest to the penitentiary administration because his sheets had not been changed for two months. According to "Le Matin," the pri-

## HAPPIEST DAYS—AS PIONEER

When the Nazis marched into Vienna, Leopold Steiner, Labour leader, was thrown into prison. He was set free through the efforts of the National Union of Boot and Shoe Operations and work was found for him in Leicester.

His sweetheart, escaped from Vienna too and they were married in Leicester.

When war came Steiner was put in an internment camp—but only for a few weeks. "I am enjoying some of the happiest days of my life," he told a reporter during a week-end visit to Leicester. The body which are definitely benefited by his internment, he said: "That was a sad day for me, but I did not blame your Government."

"I was treated like a human being—a heavenly experience compared with what I went through at the hands of the Nazis."

## Rugby Star Gives Life For Sailor

Commander Charles F. Hallaran, R.N., the former Irish Rugby international, has died on active service in attempting to rescue a sailor who had fallen into the sea.

In a heavy sea the Commander was caught between the boat and a ship. His head was crushed. Commander Hallaran played Rugby 15 times for Ireland between 1921 and 1929, and figured prominently in Royal Navy and Services sides.

He retired from the Navy some years ago but rejoined on the outbreak of war.

## LOVE IS CURE FOR WOUNDED

DOCTORS in a big military hospital in England find Cupid the best cure in some of their cases.

The mental act of falling in love causes reactions much the same as the artificial gland treatment which became famous just before the war.

The patient may not know it, but when he falls for his nurse he not only feels better, he IS better.

"Falling in love" one of the doctors explained to the "Daily Mirror," "causes certain chemical reactions in the body which are definitely beneficial. The thyroid gland particularly is stimulated, and this liberates energy-creating hormones which whip up the entire system."

"In short, the whole process is a form of natural gland treatment." Cases of this kind are particularly well to falling in love. Even the healing of wounds is accelerated when the system is thus toned up.

## News From Filmdom

Jean Arthur will make more money this year than any other actress in Hollywood. "The Devil and Miss Jones," in which Jean plays a poor salesgirl, is expected to net more than \$1,000,000. This means at least \$250,000 to Miss Arthur, in addition to her salary of around \$100,000.

Miss Arthur, in conjunction with her director husband, Frank Ross, and writer Norman Krasna, was a percentage partner in the production released by RKO-Radio. Jean makes two more pictures this season for Columbia on her regular salary basis. Her financial gain for the entire year should amount to more than \$500,000.

**Oberon House Bombed** Merle Oberon is showing a picture of her London house. "It's been bombed twice, but some of it is standing," she says. Incidentally, most of husband Korda's money is in England and will remain there for the duration of the war.

Robert Montgomery owns a "piece" of the stage success, "The Corn Is Green." He would like to play the Welsh miner role in the movie.

Claudette Colbert, according to the script of "Sisylunk," had to rumba with Walter Abel. The latter took a course in the rumba and turned up on the set eager to go into his dance. It was then discovered that Claudette could not rumba. The scene was cut.

**Betty Grable** George Raft's bodyguard-buddy, Mack Gray, says it isn't true that George has deserted Betty Grable for the more mature companionship of Marlene Dietrich, who by a strange coincidence is working with George in "Manpower."

Katharine Hepburn has been long-distancing Garson Kanin, who reports for army service next month. Pauline Goddard calls attention to her new gold mesh neck-lace and bracelet set with rubies to match. "Did Charlie give you that?" she is asked. "No," says Pauline. "Then who?" Pauline merely smiles. Pauline's jewelry collection is the talk of the town.

**Malaya's Captain Says Ship Holed "By Moths"** NEW YORK, April 25. (AP)—British Consul-General Godfrey Haggard introduced Capt. A. F. E. Palliser, commander of the British battleship Malaya here for repairs, to a St. George Society dinner, by saying the naval officer told him the hole in the battleship's hull "was done by moths."

Captain Palliser disclosed that he had come from the Mediterranean, but he did not elaborate.

## Father Flanagan of Films Aids Novel Social Experiment



Father Flanagan, head of Boys Town, with Billy Hunter and Emmett Jones.

Boys Town, the famous Nebraska community for homeless boys, dramatized in the films, "Boys Town" and the current "Men of Boys Town," is about to tackle a social experiment that not only the film industry but the whole world will watch with interest.

Father Flanagan, head of Boys Town, went to New Jersey recently to consider the question of taking either Billy Hunter or Emmett Jones back to his school.

Billy and Emmett are the two fourteen-year-old youngsters whose unique juvenile community for the homeless, it was felt by those interested in the case that in this one instance, Father Flanagan might make an exception to the general restriction of the home, and undertake to work out a plan of living that would "lead off" a potential criminal career.

His often expressed feelings are that any fourteen-year-old youngster is "morally" malleable, under ideal environmental conditions, to develop an entirely new outlook on the world and his place in it. "There is no such thing as a bad boy," is Father Flanagan's most frequent quoted remark.

## Grim Manhunt Wrote Finis To Native Killer's Career

It is just a century since one of the greatest manhunts in what is now British Columbia took place. It was for an Italian who killed Chief Factor Samuel Black in Fort Kamloops in 1840.

The young warrior had no personal grievance against the Hudson's Bay official in charge of the fort, but he fancied that Mr Black had been responsible, craft, for the death of a relative.

At Fort Vancouver, the Hudson's Bay Company's western headquarters, preparations were made to apprehend the murderer. John Tod, veteran of his service, was selected to head the party.

On August 3, Tod and three others arrived at the deserted post. "Found he fort, at least the store and dwelling house, locked up, but guarded by the Indian Lolo alone," he wrote in his journal.

Lolo was a great figure in the early history of the locality. He was called Jean Baptiste St. Paul by the whites, and Mount St. Paul is named after him.

**Hunted Man Trapped** All during September the search continued. Then, on October 1, Tod confided to his journal, the services of a chief named Gule were employed to trap the hunted man. They were tragically successful.

The story ends with this later note: "Late in the afternoon Mr Cameron and party returned, but without the murderer; the wretch, however, is said to have been captured in the night amidst his relations in bringing him to the fort where we intended to have him hung. He made his escape in crossing the river by upsetting the canoe and nearly drowning the two men who were embarked with him. On reaching the opposite side he was slain driven wounded into the river, and being finally caught in an eddy on the side which Mr Cameron and his men stood; by them he was kept in the water until he sank to rise no more."

**SISTERS' REUNION** Mrs. Gertrude Crawford, 78, who lives in New York, had not seen her sister, Mrs. Esther Smith, 90, of Hamilton Ont. for 34 years. Then a former Royal Canadian mounted policeman died, leaving them \$5,000. They met in New York to claim the legacy.

**Cockatoo Mourns Its Mistress** A 70-year-old actress named Fannie Law was stricken recently with a heart attack in a New York tenement. When an ambulance surgeon arrived, a shrill voice beckoned: "Come in."

He entered, examined the woman and found her dead. There was no one else in the dingy two-room apartment except a policeman and a white-plumed cockatoo, which kept pumping wildly about the place, screaming: "Good-bye, mother."

In the golden days of vaudeville Mrs. Law was billed as "Mlle. Franziska" and her trained bird act. The cockatoo, Jackie, 16 years old, in the last of its act.

## U.S. Fivers' For Blitz Children

Pictures of children sleeping in London's shelters were published in United States papers some months ago. Now comes news of the way in which the pictures stirred the hearts of American parents whose own children sleep safely in their beds.

They are "adopting" hundreds of our children in Blitzed areas.

Through the "Save the Children Fund" kind-hearted Americans are giving \$5 each to be spent on a child who has suffered hardship through war conditions.

### Help For 500

To begin with, 500 children will be helped. Later, it is thought, thousands will benefit.

Miss Mary Sutherland, Chief Woman Officer of the Labour Party, has been asked to spend the first \$2,500 on children to be chosen from victims of Hitler's killers on Clydeside and Merseyside and in the Midlands and London areas.

Local Labour Party women will help her choose the most needy cases.

"The money will be spent doing good turns for children who could not be given the same help through Atlatstane Board or local authorities," Miss Sutherland said.

### Bigger Scheme

American families have in mind a much bigger scheme of help.

Special photographs, bearing names, ages and family history of young children in London have been sent to the United States.

It may be that thousands of war-orphaned and war-improvised children will be entirely adopted there by men and women who would be willing to pay for their upbringing.

## Jose Schenck Resigns

Joseph M. Schenck's resignation as a director and board chairman has been accepted by the directors of Twentieth Century-Fox Films. Schenck and Joseph H. Moskowitz, his eastern representative, were convicted recently of income tax evasion.

## RAYON CONCERN SOLD

Biggest rayon concern in the United States, the British-controlled American Viscose Corporation, has been sold to an American finance group.

It was an American subsidiary of Courtaulds.

The deal was announced in New York recently by Sir Edward Peacock, British Treasury official.

It transfers what is probably Britain's most valuable single holding in the United States as part of the programme to raise dollar exchange.

The total price to be paid will not be settled until the resale later by the purchasing syndicate.

But the purchase contract requires \$10,000,000 on account to the British Government.

In normal times financial quarters have regarded the Viscose Corporation as worth \$25,000,000 in the American market.

## Gaol For Three Eire Girls

Three young girls, members of the Eire Civil Service, were each sentenced to two years' imprisonment at a special criminal court in Dublin recently.

They were Maureen Twomey, Maureen Cullinan and Mary Spillane, all of Clontarf Park, Drumcondra, Dublin, accused of having incriminating documents and being members of an unlawful organisation.

Twomey was in the department of local government, Cullinan in the defence department and Spillane was in the Post Office.

## Five Hundred Blind Men Dig For Victory

Five Hundred blind men are digging for victory in England to-day because one of their number saw a vision ten years ago in Greenwich.

I talked in his house at Patcham with Mr Gerald Hewitt, founder and chairman of the Garden Club for the Blind, writes Hugh Redwood in the "News-Chronicle." When he had told me the story of its inception and development, he took me to Rottingdean and introduced me to one of the club's most successful members, Mr Eyre, who gardens at "The Wilderness" and has made it blossom as the rose.

These two men between them epitomise the whole romance of the movement, for they are men whom blindness overtook in success and might easily have overwhelmed, the one a financier and international man of affairs, the other an ecclesiastical architect.

Darkness has brought no disaster to either, for each has found a new life and delights in it.

Watch Mr Eyre forking over his soil, his right hand wielding the fork with extraordinary deftness, and the long, slender fingers of his left, feeling the lifted earth and learning its secrets.

Hear him talk of the peace he enjoys and the sense of productive partnership with nature.

### How It Began

Then get Mr Hewitt to trace his Garden Club back to its beginnings—to the black gardener who gave him, at the age of five, his first plot

of land in Barbados: to his school-boy purchase, when he came to England, of a copy of the "Cornhill Magazine" with an article on "Port Sunlight as a Garden City for Workers"; to his sojourn, when his sight had gone, in a house at Greenwich which had behind it a derelict garden.

**Friendly Policeman** It was the noise of children at play in that garden which made him inquire what the place was like; it was a friendly policeman who took the blind man inside to explore it; it was there that the vision came to him of a "garden club" for blind people.

And to-day, I think, he blesses his blindness because of all that has sprung from it, particularly because of those 500 members—many of them prize-winning flower growers—who are now engaged in producing foodstuffs and marketing them in paying quantities.

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News For America

LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—It has been decided to entrust the direction of the existing British information services in the United States to Sir Gerald Campbell, now serving as British Minister in Washington, in response to the increasing demand in the United States for fuller and more complete information concerning Britain's war effort and for improvement of the supply of news from British sources. It is announced in London.

Sir Gerald, whose office will be in New York, will relinquish his appointment as Minister in order to assume that of Director General of the British Information Services.

Previous Posts

Sir Gerald was High Commissioner in Canada until Mr. Malcolm MacDonald was appointed to that position early this year. He has had long experience of the United States and is very popular there.

Becoming Consul General in Philadelphia in 1920, he went to San Francisco in 1922 and to New York in 1931, where he remained until he went to Ottawa in 1938. He has also served in Brazil, Belgian Congo, Italy and Abyssinia.

"Britain's motto is Thumbs Up, not Hands Up," he said in a recent speech in New York.

A Dream Story

Soon after his appointment to Canada, he told a social gathering about a dream in which he saw Hitler in a vast stadium, apparently running in an athletic meeting. Hitler was dashing about and crossing bridges. He reached the last bridge, but this was an illusion—there was no bridge—and Hitler fell into a chasm.

## Trousered Postwoman Number One

Her telephone number is "Clova 1," and she is officially admitted by the General Post Office to be Britain's Number 1 Postwoman-in-Trousers.

Her name is Jean Cameron. She is 19 years old, and her daily round consists of 12 miles of rough hill country in Glen Clova, Angus, Scotland.

That's why she wanted trousers. And because Jean is a girl of spirit she didn't see why she shouldn't have them.

She wrote to headquarters asking for an official pass.

Headquarters wrote back and said, "Certainly."

And that's why postwomen in all parts of the country are now able to apply for the official issue of trousers, which they are allowed to wear on duty instead of the regulation skirt.

Out of the compliment to Jean the other girls have already dubbed them "Cameron's."

The trousers have zip fasteners on the hips and a smart red piping down the side seam.

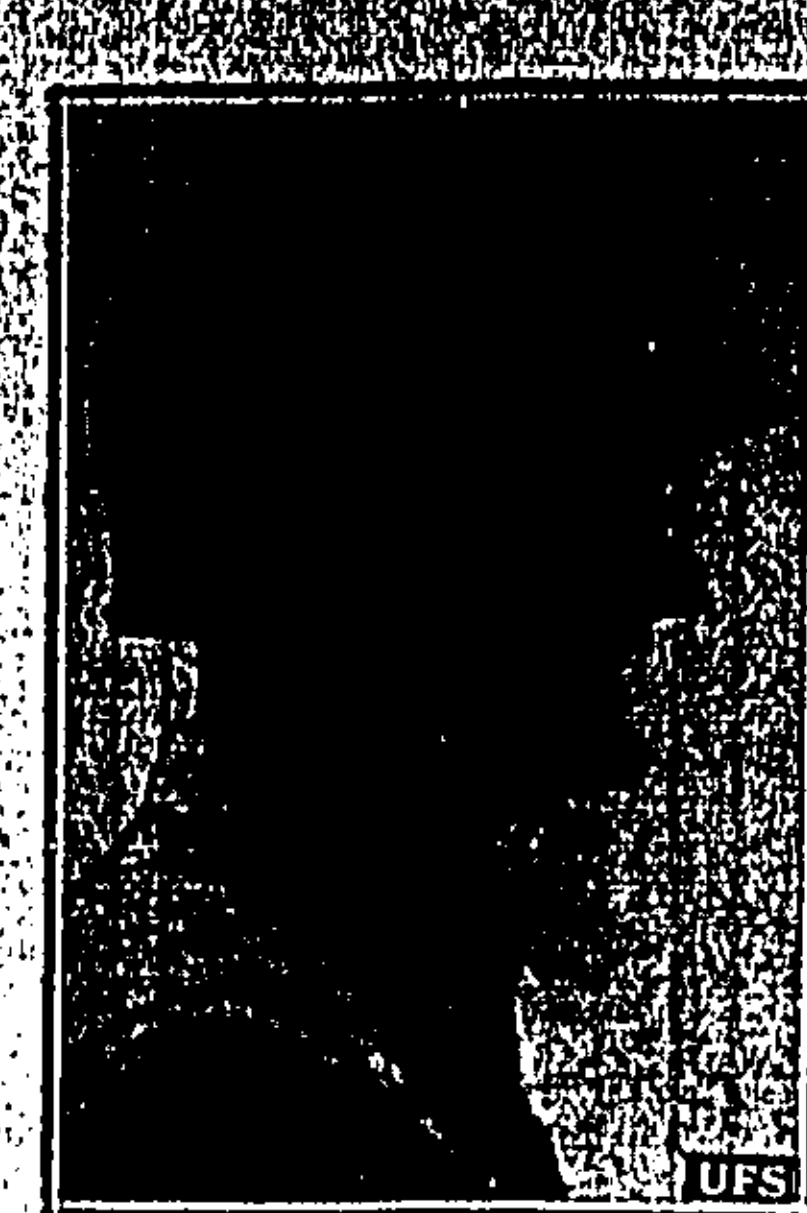
Slim And Frail

Jean is not the bouncingly muscular person you would expect to see after so much hill-climbing. She is slim and almost frail-looking.

She told reporters that her post office is a tiny cottage, which also contains the local telephone exchange and a general provisions store.

It sells honey, paraffin, bread, sweets, as well as stamps and postal orders.

## LATE NEWS



NEW TOPPER—This is the new dual purpose helmet being tested by the Infantry Board of the U. S. Army, at Fort Benning, Ga. Resembling the German helmet, it is designed to protect the back and sides of the head, different from the flat "tin derby" in use since 1918.

## Hitler-Mussolini Plan of "Protection"

FROM PAGE ONE

to be in Egypt and perhaps General Charles de Gaulle, the Free French leader, is also there.

The immediate occupation of Syria headed by the Free French should be undertaken forthwith.

A Safe Line

If the R.A.F. is solidly established along the whole Eastern Mediterranean coast line from Aleppo to Haifa, backed by firm bases in Iraq and the Persian Gulf, Cyprus will be safe and the British naval base at Alexandria will be secure.

Delay in the occupation of Syria permitting a Nazi occupation there would jeopardise all. Grave consequences are in the balance and Britain must not be slow in using her power. With the Syrian air fields in British hands, British control of the Eastern Mediterranean would be assured, provided only that the R.A.F. is strongly reinforced in the Middle East.

Here is a decisive point and now is the decisive moment.

Gayda's Declaration

ROME, June 3 (UP).—Writing in the "Giornale d'Italia" to-day, Signor Gayda states, "This is the moment for action. During the long conference, Hitler and Mussolini undoubtedly examined the results of the war just completed, after which they outlined plans for a new phase of the war which will commence immediately for the victorious Axis forces."

"To-day, a new offensive must be launched. England cries for United States help. The Axis Powers can mass its reserves of military and political forces in both Europe and other parts of the world for either defence or offence."

## Bayonets Versus Aeroplanes

Heroism Is Not Enough

JOHANNESBURG, June 3 (Reuter).—The "Rand Mail," a leader entitled "Heroism Is Not Enough," says that the overwhelmingly important feature of the Battle of Crete was that from the British viewpoint, it was a battle of bayonets against aeroplanes.

"What the bayonet could do the bayonet did, but it was not enough. That is the primary lesson to be learned from Crete: if men are pitted against aeroplanes, they will always lose. Crete was lost the day on which the fighter squadrons were withdrawn. That step was absolutely necessary but the question is whether when that had to be done, the land troops should not also have been withdrawn."

## Anglo-Thai Affairs

BANGKOK, June 3 (Reuter).—It is officially announced that the Premier, Pibul Songgram, this morning cordially received the British Minister, Sir Josiah Crosby, and conversed on foreign affairs for an hour.

## HOSTAGES RELEASED

Situation In Iraq

JERUSALEM, June 3 (Reuter).—The entire European Staff of the Iraq Petroleum Company, whom the rebels had held as hostages, have been released, according to word received here. (All are fit and well and have returned to their residences or hotels.)

Pricked Raschid Bubble

AMMAN, June 3 (Reuter).—Major Glubb Pasha, leader of the famous British Desert Patrol, returned here to-day with his men after successful participation in the operations which led to the collapse of Raschid Ali's rebellion in Iraq.

Major Glubb, who has been described as the "Lawrence of Arabia" of this war was accorded an official welcome by Emir Abdullah, the ruler of Trans-Jordan.

The Emir has cabled congratulations to the British High Commissioner, Sir Harold MacMichael, on the "termination of the trouble in Iraq caused by Raschid Ali, which has failed to affect Anglo-Arab friendship."

The Emir paid a tribute to the loyalty of Iraq's Regent and to the "British generalship in the air and on land."

Acknowledging this, Sir Harold MacMichael expressed warm appreciation for the Emir's support and assistance during the recent trouble.

## FINNS TO PAY WAR DEBTS

Finland, which lost its standing as the only up-to-date payer on World War debts to the United States, last December, contracted recently with the U.S. Treasury to catch up.

Finnish Minister Rjalmar J. Procope and Treasury Secretary Henry Morgenthau, Jr., signed an agreement under which Finland will pay up in 10 annual instalments, with interest at three per cent, the \$235,398 semi-annual instalment which Finland failed to pay last Dec. 15.

Finland owes the U.S. Treasury altogether \$8,126,622, but most of it has not come due. Finland also has received \$35,000,000 credits from the Export-Import Bank.

Technically, Finland is not in default because a joint resolution of Congress authorised postponement of the payment.

The first payment on the new contract, \$13,695, will be made by Finland on June 15. A similar amount will be due Dec. 15.

## Parisians Punish Nocturnal Nazis

LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—Night assaults on Germans in Paris are becoming so frequent that a special tribunal has been set up in the city to deal with such cases. It is stated in the German controlled Paris wireless.

It will be recalled, added the announcer, that the penalty for such assaults is death.

## U.S. Plane Crash: Fifth Victim

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" SAN DIEGO, June 3 (UP).—Mechanic Lewis McCann, the fifth victim of the Consolidated bomber crash died here to-day, several hours after he had been questioned by a representative of the Federal Bureau of Investigation regarding the crash. The wreckage of the bomber is being raised for examination.

## Notice To Ships

It is officially announced that all power driven vessels entering or leaving Hongkong harbour by the Tathong Channel must pass to the eastward of Waglan, and also keep to the eastward of a line joining Cape Collinson and Tathong Rock. All channels between Waglan and Bluff Point (Tathong Peninsula) are closed to power driven vessels.

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# HITLER-MUSSOLINI PLAN TO GIVE SYRIA "PROTECTION"

## Reports of Substantial German Infiltrations into Country



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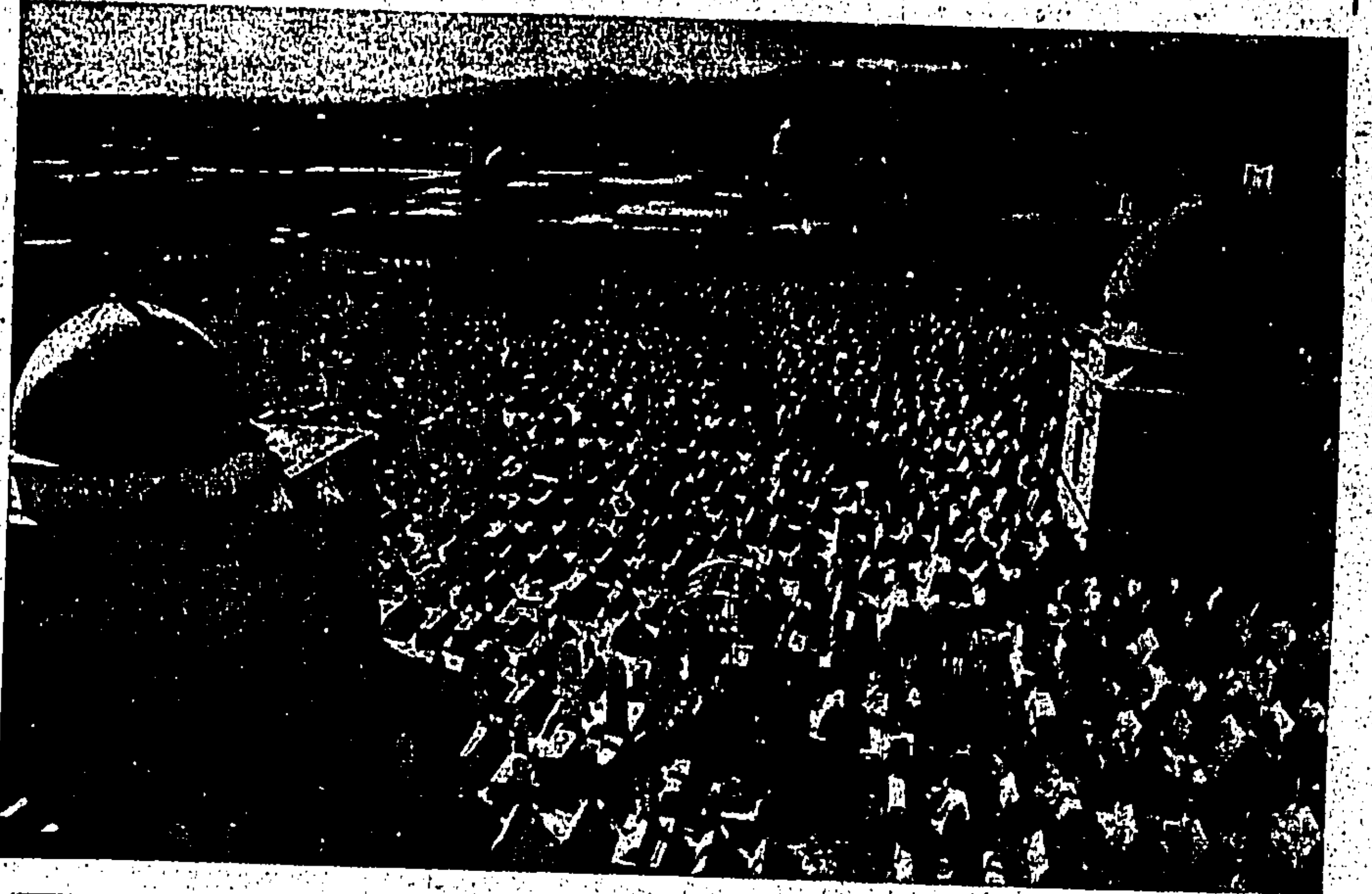
LONDON, June 3 (UP).—It is now revealed that during their Brenner Pass conversations, Hitler and Mussolini considered a plan to take over the "protection" of Syria. It is stated in the most authentic quarters that both Germany and Italy may soon land troops in French Syria at the "request" of Vichy.

It is noteworthy that the German spokesman in Berlin said that Franco-German consultations might take place if the British attacked Syria.

Authoritative circles state that there is no official confirmation of reported landings of German mechanised units at Latakia on the Syrian coast, 65 miles from Cyprus. This report appeared in the "Daily Mail" from the paper's Madrid correspondent.

### Damascus, Syria's Key City

Considered the oldest inhabited city in the world, Damascus, now chief city of Syria, with population of 200,000, guards a fertile patch in the desert. This picture of Damascus shows the Moslem graveyard of Bab Zghir, while in the background is the snow-tipped Anti-Lebanon mountains.



## Leakage of War Goods to Axis

U.S. Congress Wants Action

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, June 3 (UP).—The House Rules Committee plans to call in military and diplomatic officials to confer with them prior to taking action on the proposed Congressional inquiry into the leakage of war materials to the Axis powers.

### BENGHAZI, TOBRUK RAIDED

CAIRO, June 3 (Reuter).—Another attack was made on military objectives in Benghazi by bomber aircraft of the R.A.F. during the night of June 1-2 and a number of explosions were caused in the harbour area, states to-night's R.A.F. Middle East communique.

Two Junkers-88 were destroyed by A.A. fire over Tobruk on June 2. Another enemy aircraft was shot down by A.A. fire off Alexandria during the night of May 31-June 1.

### Abyssinia

Bombing continued in Abyssinia in the Gondar area, Seicola area, on the Omo River and at Debarech. Aircraft of the South African Air Force and the Free French unit took part in these operations. One of our aircraft is missing. From other fronts there is nothing outstanding to report.

## Taking Over Our Shipping Services

WASHINGTON, June 3 (Reuter).—United States merchantmen are to take over all British shipping services from Canada and the United States to Australia and New Zealand.

Announcing this arrangement, the Maritime Commission states: "This will release 12 British vessels for Britain's own war efforts."

CAIRO, June 3 (Reuter).—The briefest communique from Headquarters in the Middle East for a very long time says: "On all fronts there is no change in the situation."

## SYRIA TO FIGHT INVADERS

Beirut Declaration

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BEIRUT, June 3 (UP).—In a communique issued to-day, General Bentz reiterated that France will not yield Syria to any Power, including Germany.

### Emphatic Denial

ISTANBUL, June 3 (UP).—Diplomatic sources who are in close contact with Syria, as well as local well-informed circles, deny emphatically that German motorised units have arrived in Syria.

So far only flyers, ground personnel, technicians, political agents and staff officers have arrived.

### Vichy Discussions

VICHY, June 3 (UP).—Two complete sessions were sandwiched into Marshal Petain's and Admiral Darlan's technical talks with General Weygand to-day which stressed the importance of the decisions taken. It can be expected that there will be a decision to defend single-handedly Syria and Tunisia against further British attacks.

Marshal Petain, after conferring with General Weygand this afternoon, re-convoked the same Ministerial meeting which met at the Hotel Parc at six p.m. and continued the examination of the Empire's defence programme. The Government met until 8 p.m. after which no communique was issued, but despite General Weygand's presence, and his consultation with Marshal Petain and Admiral Darlan between the noon and evening Cabinet meetings, the official spokesman to-night explained: "We believe Government's deliberations were principally concerned over the creation of an advisory committee to handle French TURN to Back Page, Column 3

However, according to a Cairo message, Radio Ankara to-day quoted a news source as alleging that large numbers of Germans, with Bulgarian passports are travelling to Syria where the Germans are rapidly taking over control.

### Still In Control

LONDON, June 3.—Although the loss of Crete is unpleasant and adds to the difficulties facing the British Navy, Britain remains master of the Mediterranean. Effective air support is a necessary adjunct to naval operations, depending in its turn on ample air bases, and this is nowhere more appreciated than in the British Navy. The British naval base at Alexandria is backed by long stretches of coast line along which aerodromes are located, while the flat plains bordering the sea here permit the establishment of as many more aerodromes as are necessary. Moreover, the line of the Mediterranean coast forming a sharp angle with Egypt to the south and Palestine and Syria to the east forms two flanks from which Alexandria can well be covered from the air.

The mouth of this big angle or bay is covered by Cyprus, which the British hold and on which aerodromes can also be situated, thus enormously strengthening the British air control over the Eastern Mediterranean. But this control will be badly weakened if the Vichy French are permitted to allow the establishment of a Nazi air force on Syrian aerodromes and Nazi troops to control Syrian ports.

### Time For Action

This must be prevented at all costs and it appears that immediate action is necessary. There is no time for hesitation and delay. The kid gloves must be taken off. The Vichy Government may be regarded as unfriendly, but Vichy does not carry the French people or half the French soldiers with it. These hate the Nazis and would willingly join the cause of the democracies if only they saw some support within reach.

General Catroux, the Free French C-in-C in the Near East, is believed to be in Egypt and perhaps General Charles de Gaulle, the Free French leader, is also there.

The immediate occupation of Syria TURN to Back Page, Column 4

## Americans Now In Favour Of U.S. Convoying War Supplies

NEW YORK, June 3 (Reuter).—A Gallup survey on the question, "Should the United States Navy be used to guard the ships carrying war materials to Britain?" resulted as follows:

Yes—52 per cent.  
No—40 per cent.  
Undecided—8 per cent.

The survey was completed before the President's fireside talk.

### Five State Analyses

Dr Gallup notes that just after war began 21 months ago, 84 per cent. wanted American ships to stay out of the war zone. Five of the largest State analyses on the current question were as follows:

	Yes	No	Undecided
New York	50	44	6
Pennsylvania	52	41	7
Illinois	46	48	6
Ohio	48	42	9
California	50	44	6

## Serious Words On Shipping Losses

LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—The shipping situation is very serious, Mr Emmanuel Shinwell, M.P., told the Labour Party conference to-day.

"Unless we can speedily repair our vessels damaged by enemy action and replace those lost by the result of our own efforts and the help of America, I doubt whether victory is within sight," he said.

In the ultimate, he added, victory rests on the inviolability of our sea power.

### Emphasis By Knox

WASHINGTON, June 3 (Reuter).—A production "intricate" of warship building was demanded by Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, to-day.

Addressing a conference of shipbuilders, he stressed that his demand was made in order that the United States and the British navies should continue to command the seas.

He continued: "There can no longer be any doubt that this war will be determined by two things: not one thing—successful combination of sea and air power."

## AXIS MINISTERS' TOKYO TALKS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, June 3 (Domel).—Major General Eugen Ott, the German Ambassador to Japan, called on the Foreign Minister, Mr Yosuke Matsuoka, at the Foreign Office at 2.30 p.m. to-day and conferred for about an hour. The Italian Ambassador to Japan, Signor Mario Indelli, called on Mr Chuichi Ohashi, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, at the Foreign Office at 5 p.m. and conferred for about an hour. The contents of the interviews were not disclosed.

### Bevin's Speech

LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—British Labour will never yield, declared the Minister of Labour, Mr Ernest Bevin, broadcasting to the National Conference of Social Workers in the United States.

Labour, he said, was wholeheartedly supporting the war because they believed that it was righteous.

"We are determined to preserve our spiritual inheritance. We will TURN to Back Page, Column 5

## LATEST

## Shortage Of Potatoes

Sends Price Soaring

The price of potatoes has doubled in the last few days, the price this morning being 48 cents per catty.

Potatoes normally consumed in Hongkong come from North China, Formosa and Japan. Dealers say, however, that shipments are few and far between, and there is consequently a definite shortage in the Colony. Though one large shipment was expected within the next two days, the present retail price is expected to be 400 per cent. higher. Prices obtained from the market yesterday.

## Miners Trapped In Deep Undersea Coal Workings

LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—Many coal miners are believed to be trapped in remote workings far under the sea at William Pit, Whitehaven, Cumberland, as the result of an underground explosion to-day.

Rescue workers from all mining areas in Cumberland were rushed to the scene, and some men have been brought to the surface suffering from serious burns.

Rescuers were still striving desperately to reach the men still trapped.

William Pit is the oldest undersea coal mine in Britain, having been sunk in 1812. Some of its workings extend seven miles under the sea.

LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—All the men alive have now been brought out of William Pit. The bodies of nine have been recovered, three others are missing, believed dead, and the cause of the explosion is being investigated.

## Chungking Suffers Heavy Casualties in New Raid

CHUNGKING, June 3 (Reuter).—Casualties in yesterday's bombing were probably higher than those in any previous raid this year, according to reports from various quarters.

### Tale of Heroism

Casualties were high at Chalingpo, a densely populated town on the north bank of the Chialing river opposite Chungking, where many bombs were dropped.

A tale of heroism is told of an old woman who was killed in an attempt to save the life of a child. When the raiders appeared, the child was running in the street. The old woman, who was already safely sheltered, dashed out into the street to bring the child into the dug-out. Both were killed.

One bomb landed directly in front of a cinema, and many people were killed. The cinema was destroyed, and many people were killed.













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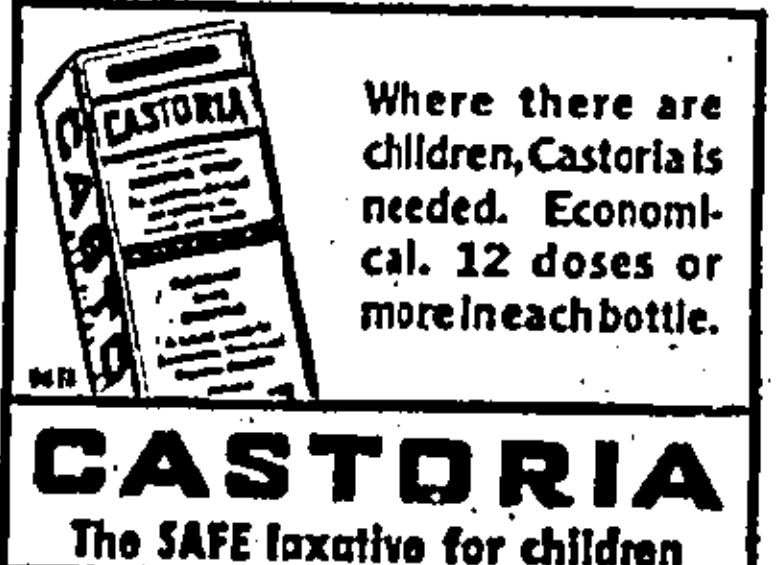
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## WHAT IF THE FASCISTORS DO MEET!

The two Fascist dictators have met again and the usual pastime of guessing why and what resulted therefrom is in full swing. Opinions vary: The meeting was designed to set a date for the invasion of Britain; to discuss measures for continuing the battle of the Mediterranean; to bewail between themselves President Roosevelt's speech. These and others are the popular theories, although just what it matters anyhow is a little difficult to understand. The meeting may have been for example, simply a Whitsun Parade for the purpose of gaining a bit of world-wide publicity, especially when it is remembered that Mussolini has been pushed rather severely in the background in consequence of his inept military campaigns of the past ten months.

Most important point is that demonstrative parleys between Hitler and Mussolini no longer possess any particular significance for Britain and her Allies. Neither political nor military surprises are any longer on the cards. Of possibilities, there are many, but they can be, and surely are being, anticipated to the full; wherefore it is well to appreciate that (a) Britain is more than ever prepared to meet and withstand an invasion, (b) that although the situation in the Mediterranean provides some anxiety consequent upon the fall of Greece and Crete, our military dispositions along the vital southern frontier of Syria have been strengthened, while troops from Abyssinia are now available for action elsewhere, (c) that while engaged in full dress battles in the eastern Mediterranean and northern Africa, we successfully dealt with a threatening situation in Iraq.

An objection is raised that if you protect only the valuable targets, the balloons will give away their exact position, but this is not really cogent, because if there is any wind the balloon will trail a long way to leeward. Crete was a reverse, but a reverse which, there is every reason to hope, will lead to an eventual victory in the Near East that will efface the disappointments which have attended the Allied campaigns.

The outcome of the Crete struggle encourages despondency largely because the public had been told that retention of the island was a vital factor in control of the eastern Mediter-



## By Air Commodore P. F. M. Fellowes, D.S.O.

SOME irreverent person once said the barrage balloon resembled an elephant that had received bad news.

There is also the delightful story of the old Londoner who, at the beginning of the war, was heard to say:—

"However long those blooming Huns stay up there in their balloons, they won't frighten me!"

In short, the balloons are treated by the public with a certain levity. And I myself must confess that I have always doubted the economic and tactical value of the great balloon organisation we have built up.

Nevertheless, that does not diminish my great respect for the thoroughness and efficiency with which the plan has been carried out.

There is, in fact, no question that the balloons have reached a remarkably high standard of organisation under the command of Air Chief Marshal Sir E. L. Gossage.

Now the purpose of the barrage balloon is two-fold. It is to keep aircraft to such a height that they are unable to carry out accurate dive-bombing and to keep them at such a height that anti-aircraft gunfire can conveniently get at them.

It will be appreciated that if the aircraft fly at very low levels, anti-aircraft guns could not be trained fast enough to enable them to follow the target.

## Kept High

Barrage balloons are probably the most effective method of protecting small targets of great value from surprise dive-bombing attacks, but I know that they are not of any great value in protecting large areas from medium or high bombing attacks.

My reason for this belief is that I am sure the vast majority of enemy airmen have not sufficient determination to come down very low over our country.

I believe it is only the exceptional men who are prepared to do this—because once they are down low they are very liable to be caught and shot down, either by our fighters or by machine-gun fire from the ground.

The average man in an aeroplane when over enemy country, likes to remain as high above that country as he can, while carrying out the duty for which he is detailed.

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A really full-out pilot—and these do not by any means grow on every gooseberry bush—will take a chance and dive between balloons if he can see them.

He knows that the wire always lies in a curve below, and in a line with the longer axis of the balloon.

Another objection to the barrage balloons is that they are a source of great danger and mental discomfort to our own pilots.

If an aircraft hits a balloon wire it is not by any means certain that the aircraft will be brought down—but it is certainly not a chance that any pilot in the world will take if he can avoid it.

A machine hitting a balloon wire is quite likely to cut the cable, even if it is not brought down itself. If a propeller hits a balloon wire it will be damaged, but the aircraft may still be able to fly.

## Moral Effect

If a very large aeroplane runs into a balloon wire, the chances are very much in favour of the aircraft and against the balloon wire.

However, there is no question that the balloon wires have a tremendous moral effect on ordinary men (although, once more, the extraordinary man regards it only as another war risk).

It is interesting to realise that in peace time the mere presence of balloons would keep all pilots at least 10 miles away from the vicinity unless the visibility was extraordinarily clear.

The handling of a balloon in open country in fair weather can only be done successfully by trained and experienced personnel, but in really bad weather, in confined places in large cities, it is a task which requires not only training and experience, but qualities of real resource and initiative.

In a high wind, a partially-deflated balloon can behave like a bucking and bad-tempered horse.

If it tears a-fin, or is damaged in some way so as to put it out of balance, its behaviour can be indescribable, except perhaps by a well-educated sailor or old-fashioned cab driver.

The winch itself is a complicated piece of mechanism which requires skill and a high standard of training to manipulate, while regassing under certain atmospheric conditions can be dangerous.

## They Go To Sea

The smoothness and efficiency with which this great organisation now runs, when the difficulties and possibilities of making mistakes are evaluated, is most remarkable.

The balloons, which originally were confined to land defence, have now taken to the sea.

On the water they are used not only from stationary barges—to safeguard important channels from magnetic and other mine laying—but in convoys, to guard against low bombing attacks.

In future it is quite conceivable that they may be used in convoy work for observation work against submarines.

In the last war kite-balloons were used to sit up in their balloons at several thousand feet—only a few miles from the front line, liable all the time to be shot down by incendiary bullets, while they were calmly and quietly observing enemy gun fire.

# Real purpose of the BALLOON BARRAGE



Handling a balloon requires training and experience, resource and initiative.

With this example before us, such enormous heights, and can I can see no reason why observers in balloons should not be utilised for convoy work.

Here they would be of immense value.

With powerful binoculars, they would have a field of view which would enable them to spot any submarine, moving either on the surface or with its periscope above water, for, perhaps, a circumference of twenty miles.

There is, of course, the objection that a barrage balloon would give away the position of a convoy. But the smoke of a convoy already does this.

## Up And Up

And in order that the submarine should spot the balloon it has got to come to the surface, or, at any rate, project its periscope. It is highly probable, therefore, that the balloon would spot the submarine first, if it were in movement. The line of foam deflated balloon can behave like a bucking and bad-tempered horse.

As is generally known, we are now developing balloons which will go to a much greater height. This idea will reduce the determination of enemy pilots by adding to their uncertainties. It will be useful at night....

There are many other methods now under experiment for combating the night bomber. I am not free to discuss them yet. But I can say that, in conjunction with the balloons, and our night fighters, and our anti-aircraft, these should shortly make this country so unpleasant to the enemy that he will, to a large extent, cease to visit us.

At present the anti-aircraft organisation that we are building up in this country has to suffer from one great defect. It is static.

That is to say, if you put a gun down near London it is of no use to Manchester or Birmingham.

It is here that the fighter—or any aircraft utilising any system of combating the bomber—possibly such a great advantage in its mobility.

Better Defences. However, our anti-aircraft methods are rapidly becoming more efficient. It is our searchlights, at present, which have proved ineffective—not through their own fault, but because enemy aircraft are now flying at

And we are in process of discouraging them to the same extent from carrying out attacks by night.

To-morrow—  
**THE COASTAL COMMAND**



## Propaganda Tactics By Nazis

### Busy In Syria

ANKARA, June 3 (Reuter).—German propaganda is very active among the Moslems in Syria, it is learned here. They are making great play with the Jewish question and are also distributing food. One hundred and twenty trucks of sugar, wheat, rice and aviation spirit have arrived at Aleppo. The food was given to the populace while the spirit was kept for the Luftwaffe.

As regards the local population, all experts agree that the Syrian Christians are openly pro-British. German propaganda has also failed to succeed among the Shia Moslem minority while the attitude of the French is mixed.

### Air Descent

It is reported that recently, from three flights sent up to chase the British from the Bynk airport, two joined the British and flew to Palestine. Syria's main oil refinery at Tripoli was badly damaged by sabotage early in May.

The more I talk with those recently in Syria the stronger is the impression that whoever gets to Syria first, whether British or Germans, will meet with very little opposition. Everybody seems disgusted with Vichy mis-rule and all welcome the restoration of law and order.

### German Influence

Apparently there are no Germans in uniform in Syria yet, only a large air force personnel and ground staff, according to a Turkish resident in Syria of long standing, "every day the Germans are growing more powerful and more active."

Britain has no time to lose, he added, as the Germans are doing their utmost to stir up religious discord. He would not be surprised if religious riots and fights broke out at any moment.

## Missing From Crete

### 2,800 New Zealanders

WELLINGTON, June 3 (Reuter).—Altogether 2,800 New Zealand soldiers are unaccounted for following the Crete evacuation, according to information at present in the Government.

This was announced by the Acting Prime Minister, Mr. Walter Nash, to-day.

He said that the majority should probably be correctly recorded as missing.

Some thousands, he added, had arrived in Egypt from Crete, including 768 wounded.

## Resignations Of Vichy Officials

LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—Two members of the Vichy Embassy in Ankara have resigned in protest against Admiral Darlan's policy of collaboration with Germany.

They are Counsellor Jean Desbailles and Second Secretary Jean Bergeron.

Announcing this late to-night from the Ankara Radio, Martin Agronsky, correspondent of the National Broadcasting Corporation, said that the French diplomats described Admiral Darlan's policy as "absurd and dishonourable."

## Quiet Over Britain

LONDON, June 4 (Reuter).—Between dusk and an early hour this morning, the only enemy air activity over Britain was the passage of a few machines over the coast at two widely-separated points. No bombs were reported.

## Turkey's Wordy War With Darlan

ANKARA, June 3 (Reuter).—The Ankara radio continued to attack Admiral Darlan regarding his references to Turkey in his recent speech.

Quoting a Turkish newspaper, the announcer said that it seems that Admiral Darlan, in his intolerant complaint against Britain, brimming with wrath, has also uttered words likely to hurt the feelings of the Turkish people.

It is an irony of fate that Darlan is ready to surrender all France and her colonies to the Germans but deplores that France could not take away Adana from the Turks.

An Istanbul newspaper asks: "Don't the Vichy statesmen realise that they are debating themselves by accusing Britain in the matter of a solution of the Alexandria issues?"

## Notice To Ships

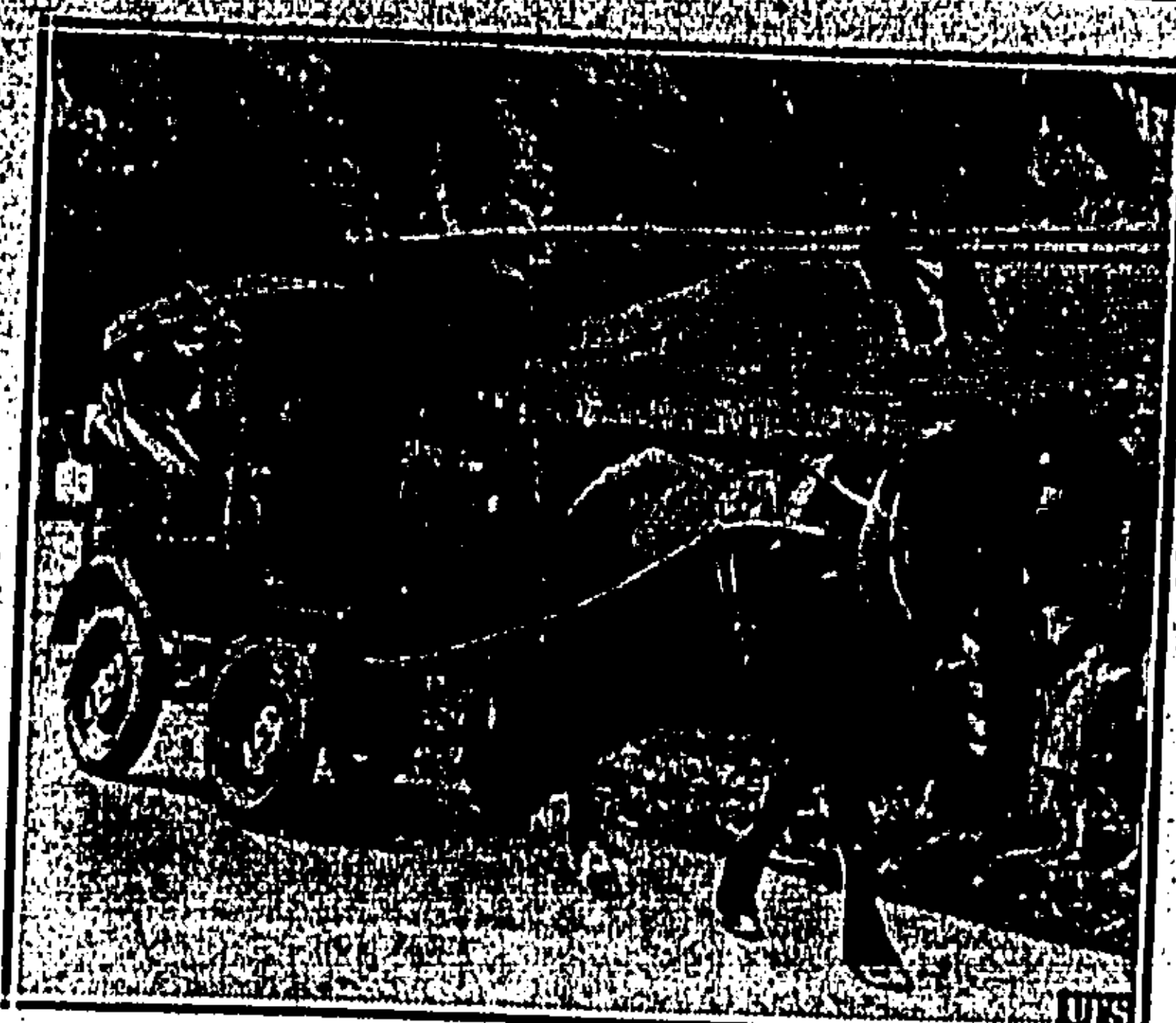
It is officially announced that all power driven vessels entering or leaving Hong Kong harbour by the Tathong Channel must pass to the eastward of Waglan, and also keep to the eastward of a line joining Cape Collinson and Tathong Rock.

All channels between Waglan and Bluff Point (Tathong Peninsula) are closed to power driven vessels.

## French Newspapers

LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—Daily papers in the occupied part of France will in future be reduced from four to two pages by an agreement between the papers and the French Council of Ministers, states the Madrid press "Informaciones."

The price of newspapers will be one franc, it is also stated.



**NIPPON TRANSPORTATION**—Japan feels shortage of gasoline like most European and Asiatic countries nowadays. This Nipponese rides in ancient horse-drawn carriage, in Tokyo suburb, since available gasoline goes to army.

## Chinese Military Supply Bonds Campaign Launched

The N.C.\$1,000,000 subscriptions campaign for the Chinese Military Supply Bonds, organised by Chinese Christians in Hongkong, was formally launched at a ceremony held at the Chinese Merchants Club.

Those present included the captains of various solicitation units. Following a prayer conducted by Pastor Li Kou-yun, Mr. Lam Tse-fung, who presided, reported that already N.C.\$500,000 subscriptions had been realised and expressed the hope that the goal of N.C.\$1,000,000 would not be difficult to attain.

Sir Shouson Chow urged his audience to subscribe to as many bonds as possible.

Chinese women, business, cultural and youth organisations in Hongkong have also started subscriptions campaigns for the Bonds. It is learned that the workers of the Commercial Press, Ltd. will contribute two days' salaries for the purchase of the Bonds.

### Mr Fitch's Plea

CHUNGKING, June 3 (International).—There is no place in the world where help is more needed, where our money will bring greater returns and where help is more truly deserved and appreciated than in China," said Mr George A. Fitch, veteran "X" worker who is now connected with the National Committee of the Young Men's Christian Association of China Emergency Service to Soldiers.

Mr Fitch declared that as a result of experiments in connection with Lord Erroll's death, he was convinced beyond doubt that the bullets from Nanyukd Farm, where Sir Delves Broughton practised with his revolver, were fired from the same weapon as the bullet which killed Lord Erroll.

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## Erroll Slaying Evidence

### Broughton's Gun Used

NAIROBI, June 3 (Reuter).—The most important evidence to date in the trial for murder of Sir Delves Broughton was by Mr A. E. Harwich, who is at present a Uganda Police Officer. He was formerly in Palestine and is a Fellow of the Royal Microscopical Society and the Medical-Legal Society. He has closely studied ballistics.

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## NEW NIGHTSOIL RATES FIXED

New charges for the removal of nightsoil were discussed by the Urban Council yesterday when it decided to recommend that the rates be \$10 a year for domestic flats and \$1.10 a month for non-domestic flats, payment to be made annually, half way through the period to which it applied.

Hon. Mr W. J. Carle, Chairman, presided, assisted by the Vice-Chairman, Mr N. C. MacLeod, Hon. Mr A. B. Purves, Hon. Mr R. A. C. North, Hon. Mr J. P. Penfold, Mr F. C. Hall, Mr L. C. Bellamy, Mr A. el Arculli, Dr S. N. Chau, Mr B. Wong Tape, Mr Tang Shu-kin, Dr A. M. Rodrigues, Mr M. W. Lo, Mr C. J. Roe (Secretary), Mr Im Ping-Isung (Assistant Secretary).

Mr Lo suggested that the rates be \$12 and that the landlord should collect from his tenants each month. Mr Hall, Mr Bellamy and Mr Arculli were in favour of \$8 or \$10 and Mr North suggested that charge should not be more than the old one. He was in favour of an \$8 to \$10 basis.

Mr Carle said he could not give a guarantee that \$8 would completely cover the clearing charges, but he felt it would just about do so.

Dr MacLeod moved that the Council, if satisfied there were buildings in the urban areas without sufficient and proper latrine accommodation, thereby endangering the health of the community, the owners of such buildings being liable to legal proceedings if they failed to comply with the requirements of the Council within six months of receipt of a written notice, should enforce Section 30 of the Public Health (Sanitation) Ordinance. He said:

"Houses Without Latrines. Recent surveys have revealed we have about 600 dry latrines of which 50,000 consist of nothing more than a wooden bucket in the kitchen. There are in addition many used for domestic purposes which lack even this primitive and dangerous form of sanitary arrangements, the theory being, wrongly I consider, that the occupants' requirements are met by public latrines which may be several hundred yards away."

The immediate results of the lack of latrines can be seen in sewage pipes choked and foul smelling drains and in packets of nightsoil wrapped in newspapers being dropped from windows into the streets.

The dangers of the kitchen latrine owing to contamination of food and water supplies cannot be over emphasised. This is particularly so now that cholera appears to have established itself in epidemic form. In addition to the obvious public health dangers the absence of adequate latrine accommodation adds to the difficulties of collection and reduces the benefits which should result from the recently instituted system of departmental daily collection.

I think you will all agree that nightsoil utensils should be housed in a separate closet of suitable design and that the kitchen latrine should be abolished. We have the necessary legislation on this point and it is the duty of this Council to enforce it.

I may remind you that quite recently it was suggested that we were not making full use of the laws in connection with nightsoil collection and that gives rise to the hope that there will be no opposition to enforcement of the Ordinance.

It may be said in criticism that this is not a suitable time to enforce it and with such a criticism I agree because the proper time to provide adequate latrine accommodation was when buildings were erected and that may go back so far as half a century.

Any inconvenience that may be caused to house owners now is an inconvenience only because we have to deal with the accumulated effects of gross disregard of elementary sanitary principles in the past. Cholera typhoid and dysentery are endemic in the town and it may interest you to know that this year already there have been more cases of cholera than during the whole of last year.

As we are only at the beginning of the normal cholera season we shall be fortunate if the present figure of over 800 cases is not doubled within the next four months.

Motion Opposed. Mr Wong Tape said:

On principle I do not think any member of this Council can oppose a measure providing for proper latrine accommodation, such a measure must be our goal.

However, I venture to express the opinion, that from a practical standpoint, wholesale or large scale embarkation on structural alterations to buildings at this juncture, involving the use of large quantities of cement and labour which would be more effectively put to use in connection with defence, is undesirable.

Moreover, the cost of materials is unusually high, and it is doubtful whether it is good policy to compel owners of property to effect improvements when there is a scarcity of materials.

Mr Lo said that while not disapproving of the suggestion he did not think the time was opportune to spend money for latrine accommodation when he understood that about 18,000 old houses required to be altered.

It was decided that Dr MacLeod's motion be referred to a Select Committee.

## Exchange At A Glance

### SELLING

T.T. London ..... 1/2 1/2

Demand London ..... 1/2 1/2

T.T. Shanghai ..... 1/2 1/2

T.T. Singapore ..... 52 1/2

T.T. Japan ..... 102 1/2

T.T. India ..... 82 1/2

T.T. U.S.A. .... 24 1/2

T.T. Manila ..... 48 1/2

T.T. Batavia ..... 45 1/2

T.T. Bangkok ..... 140 1/2

T.T. Saigon ..... 104 1/2

T.T. France ..... 102 1/2

T.T. Switzerland ..... 102 1/2

T.T. Australia ..... 1/0 1/2

### BUYING

4 m/s L/C London ..... 1/3 1/2

4 m/s D/F London ..... 1/3 1/2

4 m/s L/C U.S.A. .... 25

4 m/s France ..... 84 1/2

30 d/s India ..... 403 1/2

U.S. Cross rate in London 4.03 1/2

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## FINNS TO PAY WAR DEBTS

Finland, which lost its standing as the only up-to-date payer on World War debts to the United States, last December, contracted recently with the U.S. Treasury to catch up.

Finnish Minister Hjalmar J. Procope and Treasury Secretary Henry Morgenthau, Jr., signed an agreement under which Finland will pay up in 10 annual instalments, with interest at three per cent, the \$285,398 semi-annual instalment which Finland failed to pay last Dec. 15.

Finland owes the U.S. Treasury altogether \$8,126,022, but most of it has not come due. Finland also has received \$35,000,000 credits from the Export-Import Bank.

Technically, Finland is not in default because a joint resolution of Congress authorised postponement of the payment.

The first payment on the new contract, \$13,695, will be made by Finland on June 15. A similar amount will be due Dec. 15.

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## Fukien Official Changes

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# Around The Courses

## World's Longest Hitter Deprecates Desire For Distance

**"Muscles And No Finesse"**  
**Says Jimmy Thomson**

**Hint For Summer Play**

(By "Birdie")

A LITTLE WHILE AGO I wrote on the sacrifice of accuracy for distance, and I've just read an article on Jimmy Thomson, the acknowledged longest hitter in the world, in which he decries the aim for distance, and strongly advises against it!

"Distance off the tee is nice, if you can get it," he says, "but I have been forced to sacrifice any chance I have had of winning some of the better tournaments, and here I am—a man of muscles and no finesse."

The hot weather here has made the courses hard and dry, and shots, especially off the tee, are running to some extraordinary distances, but where have these led but to the inclination to press and go even further.

There are plenty of gallery spectators willing to applaud his tremendous shots, admits Thomson, "but I haven't found it possible to slug with the driver and hit safely with the irons. It requires the development of two different swings."

"You can hit a ball up to a certain distance and still be delicate with your irons, but when you start slugging with your driver the same tendency will creep into iron play."

He used to think it great to use a No. 9 where others would take out a No. 6. But tournaments aren't won by hitting the ball a mile, accuracy around the greens have the loudest and last word.

A little while ago I went around with a single-figure handicap visitor from up north, and he was hitting the ball prodigious distances. But he was pressing in each case, though more often than not he connected beautifully and batted some screamers. But on the fairways, it was a different matter, for his penchant for length got him into more trouble than the ten or twenty yards more were worth.

In playing with hitters of this type it may be a little disconcerting to find oneself being consistently outdriven by thirty or forty yards, but if one's handicap is, say, 14, it is not going to cut any strokes off to try and suddenly remodel one's game on the lines of a harder hitting opponent—rather it will do the opposite.

All the best golfers at some time or other have remarked on this, and it might be framed in every clubhouse: "Consistency and Accuracy are on the path to Perfection."

TO players in the Colony who are not deterred by the hot summer sun, I would offer this hint which personal investigation has found to be delightfully cool.

The wearing of a wet cloth but eliminates all feeling of heat on the head. It will dry, of course, and will have to be dumped over and over again, but a longer effect can be had by keeping one's hair wet too.

IF all the balls that have been lost on the 6th and 7th holes at Kowloon were placed in a row they would stretch—well, an awful long way. In most cases it is the sliced ball that suffers oblivion, and as the commonest fault among players is the slice quite a number of people are left to mourn the loss.

But lest all blame fall on the player, I would express the opinion held by many that the fault is more the caddy's. These are both blind holes which have hills between the tees and the greens. The caddies are perched on these hills and from that vantage spot, I personally, cannot see why a ball is so easily lost.

I should, perhaps, qualify the earlier remark and state that the fault is not so much the caddy's as in the lack of system in doing their work.

They will stand and watch the flight of the ball and signal the player accordingly—but there, it seems, they imagine their duties rest. They stand in a bunch, unless told, when it would obviously be advantageous to spread out a little.

What has been most irritating is the casual regard they have for the line of the ball. Instead of tracing the ball immediately, though it might mean a slight dash, to follow it more accurately, they wait until the players have hit off and then start out on a hunt along the line which they last saw the ball disappearing.

A bit of instruction to the ladies along these lines would be of great benefit. Generally the standard at Kowloon is good.

## W.T. Tilden.... Evergreen And Dominant

**Relishes Prospect Of  
25,000-Mile Tour**

IN THE YEAR that Big Bill Tilden won his first national singles tennis title, citizens were beginning to get used to Prohibition and the vote for women.

There were a wagging of heads over a bomb explosion in Wall Street and much whistling of such brand-new tunes as "Avalon," "Margie," and "Whispering." Charlie Chaplin and an unknown youngster named Jackie Coogan were vowing them in "The Kid."

Even then—1920—Bill Tilden of the Germantown Cricket Club was no spring chicken. In 1913, when he was 20, he had won the mixed-doubles championship with Mary K. Browne. After that initial triumph, his progress had been very slow.

But on that memorable afternoon of Sept. 6 in 1920 when he wrested the title from Bill Johnston at Forest Hills, there were two ominous sights. One was a thunder-storm that flashed on the horizon; the other a plane that crashed in full view of the stands.

For the next five years the thunder in Tilden's strokes downed all opposition in the nation; and the lightning of a prima-donna disposition carried him into perpetual warfare with newspapermen, photographers, officials, line-men, and ball boys.

### The Idol Falls

THEN came the crash: in 1926, 1927, and 1928 he faltered—beaten by Lacoste and Cochet. But after sports writers had dug his grave and delivered the usual obsequies, he came back as champion in 1929. In February 1931 he turned pro.

Tilden was 48 on Feb. 10. Yet in this year's professional tour—billed by Jack Harris, promoter, as the longest in tennis history—he is matched against Don Budge, still beyond doubt the best tennis player in the world.

Tilden was set to open with the troupe in Madison Square Garden, New York, then move on to Chicago Jan. 8, Minneapolis Jan. 10, and so on through a weary grind of 65 cities strung out over 25,000 miles.

### Prospect Pleases

BUT as Tilden practiced with Vincent Richards, he showed clearly that he relished the prospect. For unlike the absent Vines—who has turned amateur golfer—Tilden has a tremendous zest for tennis.

Ever though he needs a new pair of legs, and his timing is off more frequently than in his heyday, his stroking is still impeccable.

Despite the colourful Tilden, the main stress on Horrie's 1941 presentation centres on the distaff side for the first time since the Mary K. Browne-Suzanne Lenglen tour of 1920.

### Mixed Doubles

THE show became coeducational when Alice Marble, the top-ranking woman tennis player of the world, decided to turn pro and Mary Hardwick, the best British player, joined her and became Alice's opponent.

The third attraction of the tour is a well-balanced mixed doubles encounter with the Tilden-Marble combination opposing Budge and Miss Hardwick.

### Exhibition Billiards At Y.M.C.A.

A. J. Osmund, former Colony billiards champion, in an exhibition match against C. Terran (Y.M.C.A.) last night won 600-384.

## U.S. Baseball Loses One Of Its Greatest Players

**Death of Lou Gehrig**

NEW YORK, June 2 (Domel).—Lou Gehrig called the "Rock of Ages" because of his amazing record of 2,130 consecutive games with the New York Yankees in the American League from June 1, 1925 until April 30, 1939, has died after a two-year illness from hardening of the spinal cord, at the age of 37.

It is recalled that the Yankees first baseman retired from active competition with a strange ailment which the world famous Mayo Brothers clinic diagnosed to be amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, termed by the layman infantile paralysis, on his 30th birthday on June 10, 1939.

### League Records

GEHRIG held many major league records including the lifetime average of .340 and 404 homers, which is second only to those of Babe Ruth and Jimmy Foxx.

He hit .361 percentage in seven world series and earned over \$400,000 during his career with the Yankees.

Following his retirement, Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia of New York City made him a member of a three-man parole board for a ten-year term at a yearly salary of \$5,700.

### Waterpolo

## "Y" Trounce Navy "A" 6-1

**M'sex Overwhelm Gunners**

Two matches in the water-polo tournament were held in the Army pool yesterday when Y.M.C.A. beat Navy A 6-1 and Middlesex A beat 36th Battery 9-1.

The Y.M.C.A.-Navy game was very fast throughout and only positional changes by the Navy enabled them to maintain the initiative. N. D. Booker, who made his debut, made a favourable impression, for he has speed and covers up well, and with a little practice should be invaluable.

Navy were unfortunate in losing through infringements. Paul, their captain, being ordered out, the Navy had to initiate. Rutter had a disappointing evening and received a kick in the face in the opening minutes, which necessitated his leaving the pool. On his return he was ordered out and later on left the pool. Navy's passing was shocking in the second half when they threw away at least three scoring chances by over-shooting.

### Brilliant Goal

Paul opened the scoring for Navy with a brilliant goal after lobbing the ball over May's head and enabled them through for a close range shot. Ralston then equalised with a backhand and Benn swam clean through from right-back for the best goal of the match.

Benn played one of his best games to date and marked very closely. May then scored twice in succession and Y.M.C.A. changed over 4-1 in the lead. In the second half poor marking cost Navy another two goals. R. Goldman and C. Sloan being the goal-scorers.

### M'sex Too Good

Middlesex proved much too good for 36th Battery. Scores for Middlesex were Jennings (4), Binden (3), Burdett and Quickenden. Tuckley replied for the Gunners.

## Shanghai C.C. Officers For 1941 Season

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shanghai Cricket Club was held on May 16, in the Pavilion, Mr W. J. Monk taking the Chair.

Mr Monk lauded the departure of a large number of members to join various branches of His Majesty's forces and wished them all success and a safe return to Shanghai. He compared their departure with a similar exodus during the Great War.

Brig-Gen. Macnaghten, for many years a stalwart supporter and President of the club was welcomed returning from England. He had resumed military duties in the Home Guard, and was delighted to get back into harness again.

### Great Loss

THE death of Dr. "Bill" O'Hara, a well-known and valued member of the club, and one of the finest cricketers ever seen in Shanghai, was announced.

Dr. O'Hara, Honorary Secretary of the Club, died on June 1, at his home in Hong Kong.



J. C. Remedios (Recreio "B") and A. E. Coates (Craigengower) measuring for the shot in their First Division League bowls match on Sunday.—Ming Yuen.

### League Tennis

## South China and C.R.C. Easily Win "B" Division Matches

SOUTH CHINA and the Chinese R.C. secured easy victories in the "B" Division of the Tennis League yesterday, beating the Civil Service and Kowloon Tong by 9-0 and 7-1 respectively. In the remaining fixture, the Kowloon C.C. accounted for the Army 5-1.

B. Agafuroff and W. J. Skinner were the only two Civil Servants to offer any measure of opposition to South China. W. T. Lee and W. C. Hoh took their three sets with the loss of three games only.

A. E. P. Guest and F. Grose contributed mainly to the K.C.C. win by taking all three sets, though F. Kengelbacker and N. A. E. Mackay were also undefeated, winning two and drawing one.

K.C.C. 5½ ARMY 3½  
At Sookunpoo, Kowloon beat Army 5½-3½.

Col Newman and Capt Guest lost to A.E.P. Guest and F. Grose 3-6; beat R. T. Broadbridge and F. Zimmerman 6-4; drew with F. Kengelbacker and N.A.E. Mackay 6-6.

Capt Head and Capt Skipworth lost to Guest and Grose 3-6; beat Zimmerman and Broadbridge 5-7; lost to Kengelbacker and Mackay 3-6.

L. Pearce and S. Sgt. Duffield lost to Guest and Grose 4-6; beat Zimmerman and Broadbridge 6-4; beat Kengelbacker and Mackay 6-4.

C.S.C.C. 0 S. CHINA 9  
At Happy Valley, South China beat Civil Service 9-0.

J. A. Bendall and M. Yatskin lost to S. Y. Lee and H. C. Wong 6-0; lost to W. Ho and C. F. Peng 4-6; lost to W. T. Lee and W. C. Hoh 4-6.

B. Agafuroff and W. J. Skinner lost to Lee and Wong 5-7; lost to Ho and Szeo 5-7; lost to Lee and Hoh 2-6.

C. Sloan and J. Hemmings lost to Lee and Wong 1-6; lost to Ho and Szeo 2-6; lost to Lee and Hoh 0-6.

K. TONG 1½ C.R.C. 7½  
At home, Kowloon Tong lost to Chinese R.C. 7½-1½.

F. H. Kwok and P. E. Ling lost to B. C. Luk and T. C. Chan 3-6; lost to K. Ho and C. F. Peng 4-6; beat S. W. Ling and P. S. Cho 6-1.

H. T. Bee and K. Ho lost to Luk and Chan 2-6; lost to Ho and Peng 4-6; lost to Ling and Cho 2-6.  
E. Lee and C. T. Ma drew with Luk and Chan 6-6; lost to Ho and Peng 3-6; lost to Ling and Cho 2-6.

### Major Baseball

NEW YORK, June 3 (UP).—Detroit Tigers defeated New York Yankees 4-2 in the American Baseball League 10-day. The Philadelphia-Chicago game in this circuit was washed out by rain, while the remaining fixtures, Boston v. Cleveland and St. Louis v. Washington, are nightcaps.

and his place had been taken by Mr R. G. Southerton.  
On the motion of Mr. Leach, seconded by Mr. Simpson, Brig-Gen. Macnaghten, was unanimously elected an honorary life member of the club.

### New Officers

THE following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Dr. E. G. Gauntlett; vice-president, Mr. W. J. Monk; general committee, Messrs H. S. Bartley, H. A. Coward, H. A. Crickmer, G. R. Gumbrell, W. Leach, F. W. Simpson, A. C. Sinclair, and E. K. Wilson.

### Golf

## Tie For Royal Scots Trophy At Fanling

"The Royal Scots Trophy" of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, in aid of the B.W.O.F., played at Fanling in April and May, resulted as follows:

J. H. C. Highet (16) and H. Overy (18), were two up and tie and will play off.  
G. M. Park (5), T. McGarry (8) and E. L. Eveille (18) were 1 up. Capt. C. H. Hyde (15), T. A. Pearce (3), Lt-Col. E. D. Matthews (16), J. Harrop (14) and A. H. Penn (15) were all square. There were 200 entries at \$1 a card.

### Junior Championship

In the Junior Section Championship of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, at Happy Valley, W. J. Buller beat A. J. Powell, 18 holes, 1 up.  
R. M. Keown, J. Young beat D. W. Becken, and H. Smith beat T. B. Low, in the first round.

In the second round, T. C. Barclay beat F. C. Barry, Buller beat Ahern, Smith beat Young and G. E. Willerton beat J. Wald.

### Fanling Bogey Pool

Playing in the Bogey (Par) Pool at Fanling on May 31 and June 2, A. W. Bourne, Jr., (9) was 1 up. There were 18 entries.

## Combined Gala at V.R.C. On July 26

European Y.M.C.A. and Victoria Recreation Club will combine to host the Chinese in a major swimming attraction on July 26, in the V.R.C. pool, proceeds to be divided between the Bomber Fund and British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China.

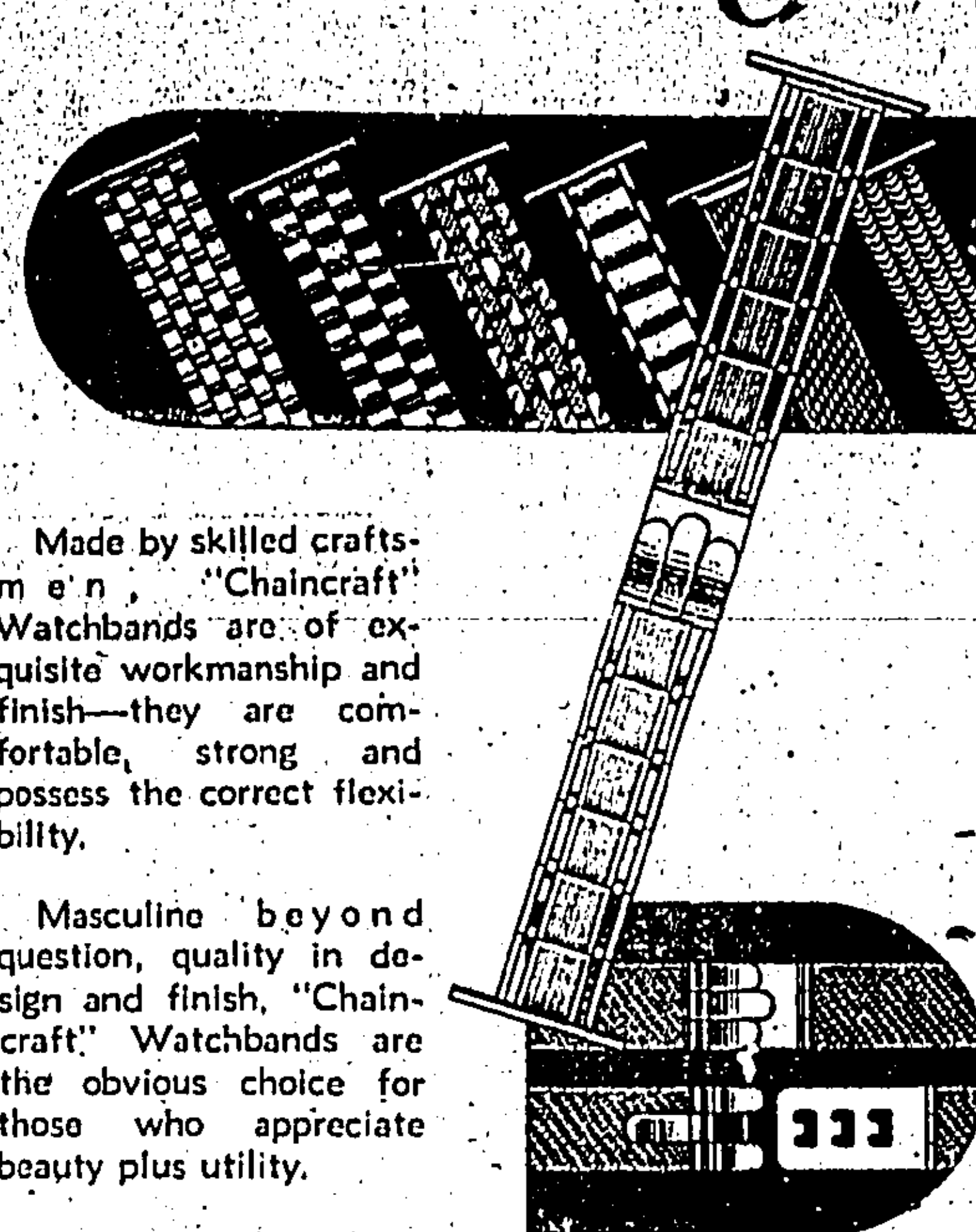
The following programme of events will be held:  
100 yards back-stroke relay (teams of four), 200 yards relay (teams of six), 150 yards medley relay (back-stroke, breast-stroke, free-style), 100 yards individual (two from each team), Women's 300 yards relay (teams of six), 100 yards medley relay, School events—200 yards inter-school relay (teams of four).  
Service—Inter-unit 50 yards (one swimmer per unit).  
Prices of admission will be 55 (reserved seats), \$2.41.

## 'VARSITY CRICKET CELEBRATION

The Vice-Presidents of the Hongkong University Cricket Club, Prof. L. T. Ride, Dr. K. T. Loke, Dr. A. M. Rodrigues, and Mr. George Hong Choy, entertained the University first team to a celebration dinner on Monday on the occasion of their being senior League runners-up 1940-41, in the Golden City Restaurant. Prof. L. T. Ride proposed a toast to H. M. the King.

Among those present were Prof. L. T. Ride, Dr. K. T. Loke, Dr. A. M. Rodrigues, Mr. George Hong Choy, Mr. C. S. On (Chairman), Messrs F. C. Ser (Capt.), C. A. N. Matthews (Vice-Captain), W. S. Garg, Tam Kong-yee, Joseph Tsui, J. Penlon, Dr. H. H. Yan (ex-officio) and Fred Mah (honorary Secretary).

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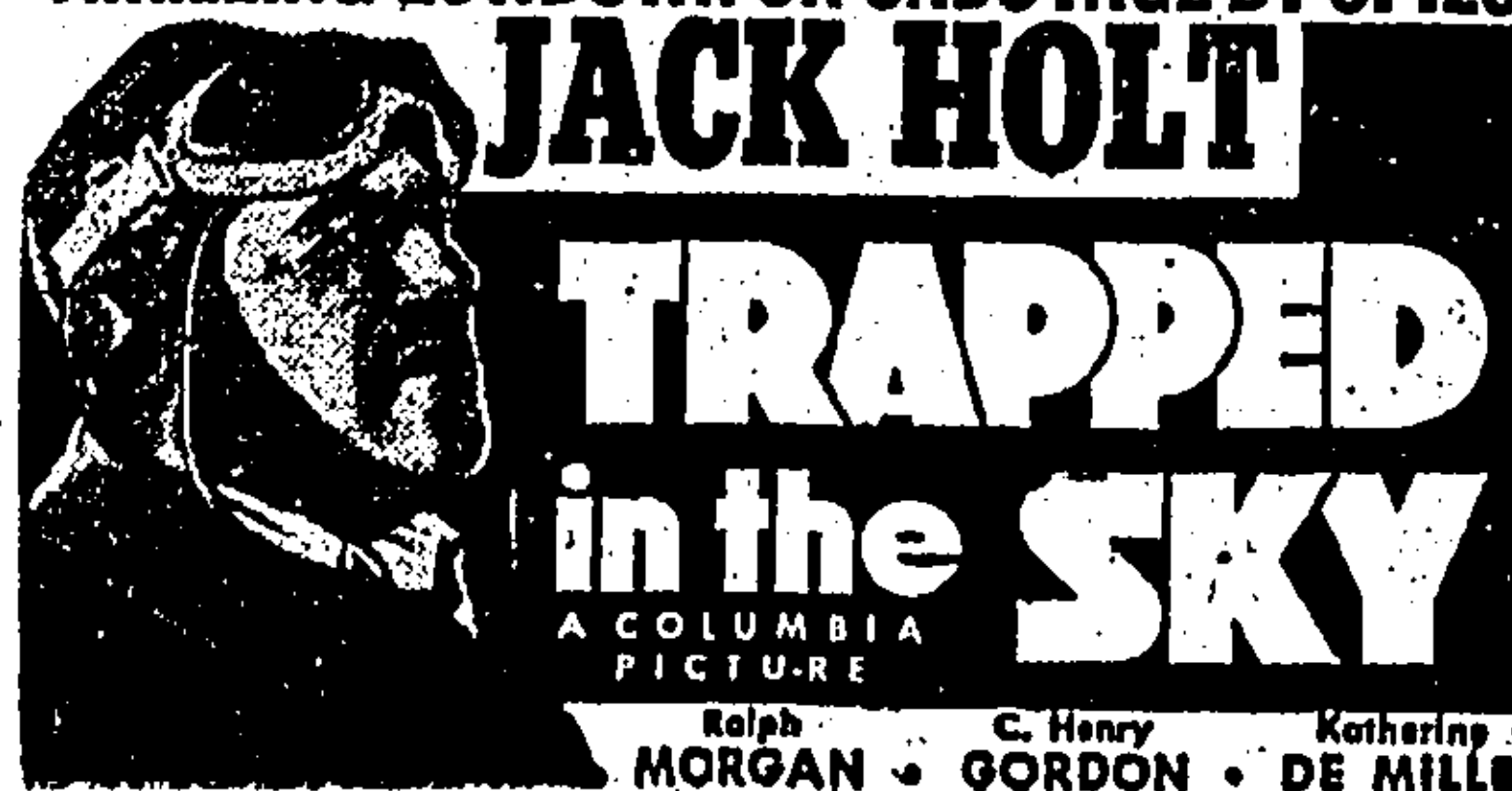
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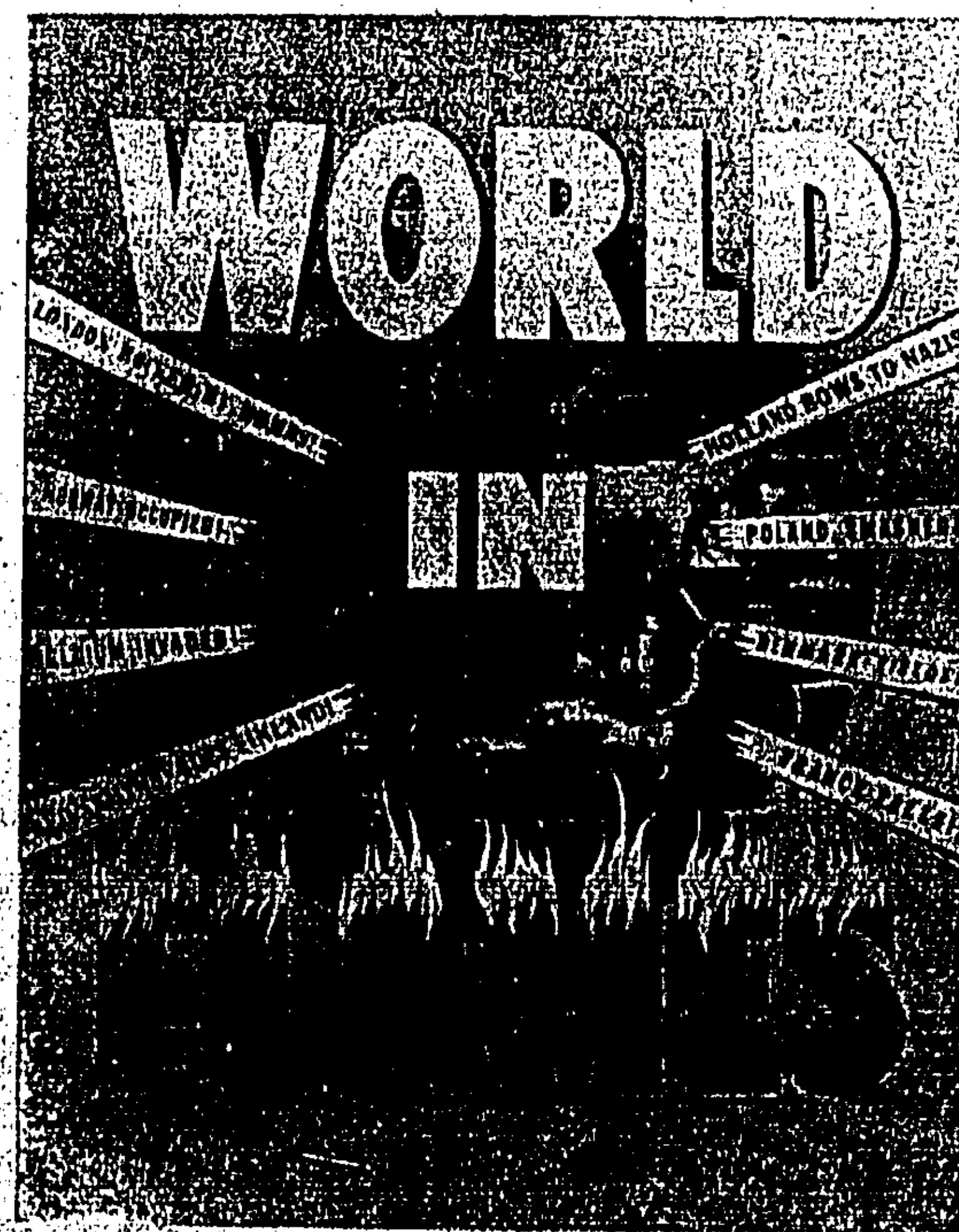
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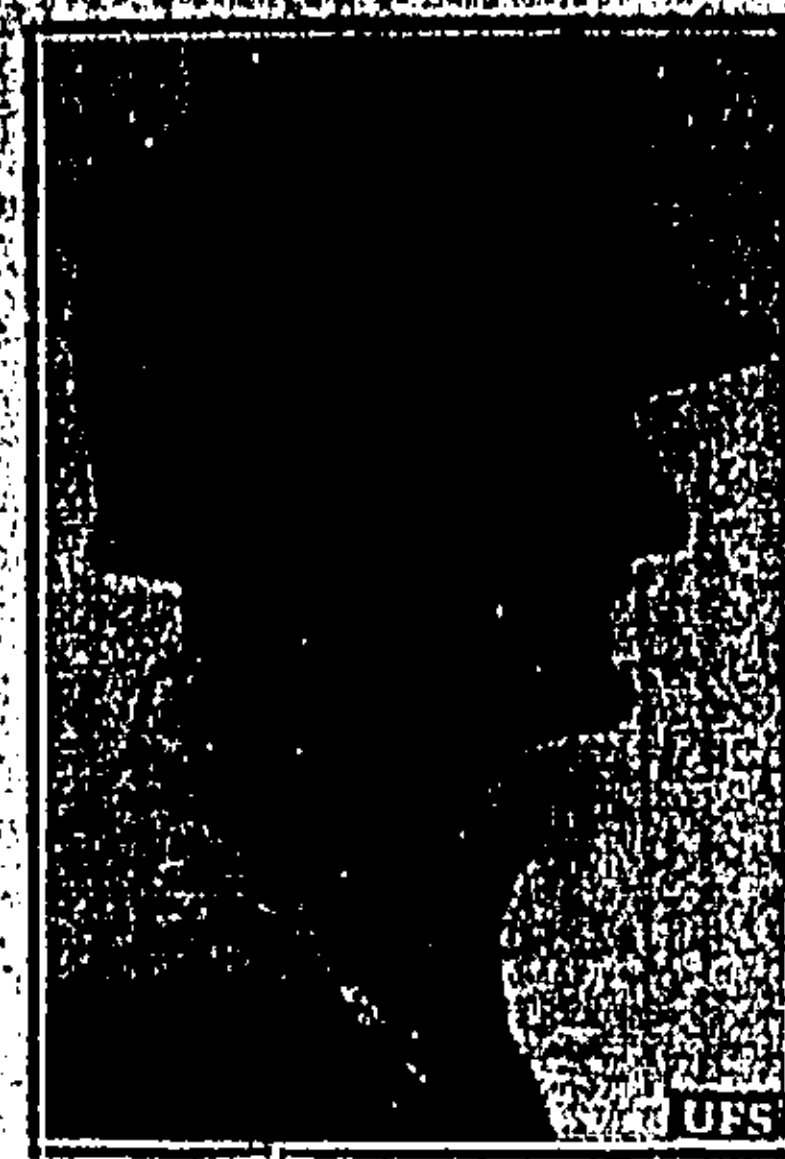
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### Latest Version of The Hitler-Mussolini Brenner Pass Talks

#### Battle Dress For Civilians In England is Predicted

Special to the "Telegraph"

HARROGATE, June 3 (UP).—Mr Morris May, President of the Leeds Wholesale Clothiers Association to-day predicted that the Government will be forced to adopt "battle dress for civilians" either worn with collar and tie or buttoned up to the neck.

Mr May declared: "That is the only way clothing for the workman can be placed on the market at prices within reach and of hard wearing quality which is now completely beyond reach. Such battle dress would not need a lining, therefore it could be produced on a large scale much more rapidly than ordinary lounge suits. By a buttoned up neckwear the worker could dispense with a shirt which would require laundering."

## French Move To Resist Attack

Syria Situation Said Grave

Special to the "Telegraph"

VICHY, June 3 (UP).—It is reported that the French have shifted armed air force units to Syria and Tunisia ready to meet any new British attack with force. It is understood that they acted with German permission.

## Daring Daylight Raids

—By R.A.F.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 3 (UP).—The Air Ministry announced, "during daylight yesterday aircraft of the Bomber Command attacked shipping in the Kiel Canal and objectives in Schleswig-Holstein. One vessel was destroyed."

"Off Norway enemy supply ships were sunk. Two of our aircraft are missing."

"Last night, the R.A.F. attacked Duisburg, the inland port of Dusseldorf and other objectives in the Ruhr area. Many fires were started among the industrial buildings. The dock at Ostend was also bombed. Four aircraft are missing."

Aircraft of the Coastal Command last night attacked the docks at Saint Nazaire without loss."

### Enemy Troops Raided

LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—A column of enemy troops and an armoured tank were attacked by R.A.F. fighters operating over Northern France and the Channel to-day. Our aircraft returned safely, states the Air Ministry.

## Nanking Man Assassinated

Shot While He Slept

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, June 4 (UP).—An unidentified gunman killed Wang Nio-sung 32, while he was sleeping in his home in the French Concession last night. Wang is reported to have been connected with the Nanking Ministry of Overseas Affairs and was previously with the Ministry of the Interior. The assassin was seen by a neighbor and was being pursued by police when he fled. Wang's wife and two children escaped without harm.

WASHINGTON, June 3 (UP).—Mr William Simms, the Scripps-Howard commentator to-day asserted that the United States believes that Hitler and Mussolini may have decided at Brenner Pass to take the initiative against the United States—to force her into war before she is ready. Some Axis leaders, including Japan, are convinced that now is the time to involve the United States.

They declare that the ammunition output is so slim that the United States at war could not send more than a dribble of supplies to Britain because she would need all for herself.

The power of initiative is clearly in the hands of the Axis. Hitler can pull the United States into the war at any moment that would suit his purposes to do so. President Roosevelt has pledged himself not to send American soldiers to war unless we are attacked but declares that he will see that American aid reaches Britain regardless.

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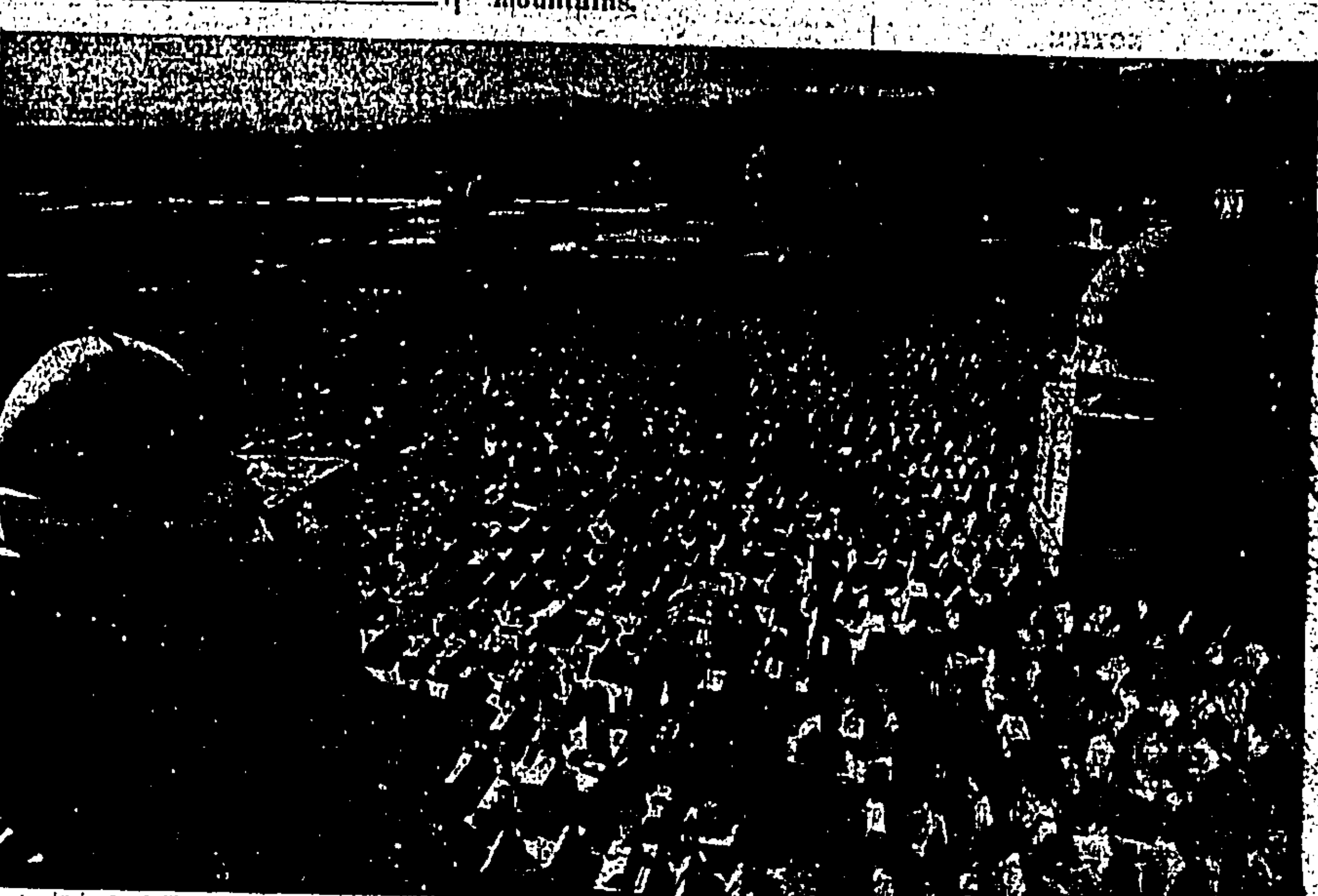
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## Damascus, Syria's Key City

Considered the oldest inhabited city in the world, Damascus, now chief city of Syria, with population of 200,000, guards a fertile patch in the desert. This picture of Damascus shows the Moslem graveyard of Bab Zahir, while in the background is the snow-tipped Anti-Lebanon mountains.



## Hitler-Mussolini Scheme To Give Syria "Protection"

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, June 3 (UP).—It is now revealed that during their Brenner Pass conversations, Hitler and Mussolini considered a plan to take over the "protection" of Syria. It is stated in the most authentic quarters that both Germany and Italy may soon land troops in French Syria at the "request" of Vichy.



It is noteworthy that the German spokesman in Berlin said that Franco-German consultation might take place if the British attacked Syria.

Authoritative circles state that there is no official confirmation of reported landings of German mechanized units at Latakia on the Syrian coast, 65 miles from Cyprus. This report appeared in the "Daily Mail" from the paper's Madrid correspondent.

However, according to a Cairo message, Radio Ankara to-day quoted a news source as alleging that large numbers of Germans, with Bulgarian passports, are travelling to Syria, where the Germans are rapidly taking over control.

### Still In Control

(BY "REUTERS" MILITARY COMMENTATOR)

LONDON, June 3.—Although the loss of Crete is unpleasant and adds to the difficulties facing the British Navy, Britain remains master of the Mediterranean. Effective air support is a necessary adjunct to naval operations, depending in its turn on ample air bases, and this is nowhere more appreciated than in the British Navy. The British naval base at Alexandria is backed by long stretches of coast line along which aerodromes are located, while the sea lanes bordering the sea here permit the establishment of as many more aerodromes as are necessary. Moreover, the line of the Mediterranean coast forming a sharp angle with Egypt to the south and Palestine and Syria to the east forms two flanks from which Alexandria can well be covered from the air. The mouth of this big angle or bay is covered by Cyprus, which the British hold and on which aerodromes can also be situated, thus enormously strengthening the British air control over the Eastern Mediterranean. But this control will be badly weakened if the Vichy French are permitted to allow the establishment of a Nazi air force on Syrian aerodromes and Nazi troops to control Syrian ports.

### Time For Action

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## COMMUNISTS CLASH WITH JAPANESE

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CHUNGKING, June 3 (UP).—According to reports from the Eighteenth Army Group Headquarters to the Communist Office at Chungking, on May 30, one thousand "Japanese and puppet troops" moving southwards from Peiping met a detachment of the Eighteenth Army 20 miles south of Peiping between the Peiping-Hankow and Peiping-Tientsin railways.

The report said that the Eighteenth Army Group attacked the Japanese and puppets and inflicted 300 casualties, killed, wounded or captured as well as supplies and later cut the Peiping-Hankow railway between Peiping and Paoting.

This victory menaces the enemy at Peiping. The report added that Nine other battles between the Eighteenth Army Group and Japanese troops were reported between May 22 and 30, in eastern and northern Shansi and Hopei west of the Peiping-Hankow railway near Paoting and Shihchiachuang.

## BRITON ON TRIAL AFTER COOLIE KILLED BY TRAP

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, June 3 (UP).—Mr R. C. Turner, a Briton, will be formally charged this afternoon with the "unlawful killing" of his garden coolie, Kau Kwang-toong, on May 18.

Mr Turner built a spring trap with a 22 calibre rifle in an effort to catch thieves. The coolie sprang the trap while trying to obtain his tool to begin his morning work.

## Taking Over Our Shipping Services

WASHINGTON, June 3 (Reuter).—United States merchantmen are to take over all British shipping services from Canada and the United States to Australia and New Zealand.

Announcing this arrangement, the Maritime Commission states: "This will release 12 British vessels for Britain's own war efforts."

## LATEST

## Govt House Collapse

A serious collapse of part of the rear verandah at Government House occurred about 8 o'clock last night, when, without warning, one of the main pillars split under the weight of the verandah. Another pillar on the opposite of the entrance to the main back doorway then gave way, and this was followed by the collapse of part of the first floor verandah.

The collapse occurred despite the fact that the entire verandah, which was the worst affected part of the buildings, was being repaired by heavy wooden beams. Workmen this morning were hastily endeavouring to add more shoring before other parts of the verandah gave way.

Because there had been recent signs of further movement, it was hoped that Government House would remain in no worse condition than that caused by the earlier subsidence in the verandah. The collapse, however, was a serious one, and it is now being repaired by heavy wooden beams.

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## Hankow Club Boy A Political Gangster

—Protest To British Consul

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He said that the Chinese boy, named Liu, 26, who had been in the Club's service for ten years, was found to be a member of the Blueshirts. On the night of May 19 the Police arrested Liu, who confessed that arms were concealed within the compartment of the Club. The Japanese Consul-General conducted a search on May 23 in the presence of the British Consul, the Chinese Consul and the Japanese Vice-Consul.

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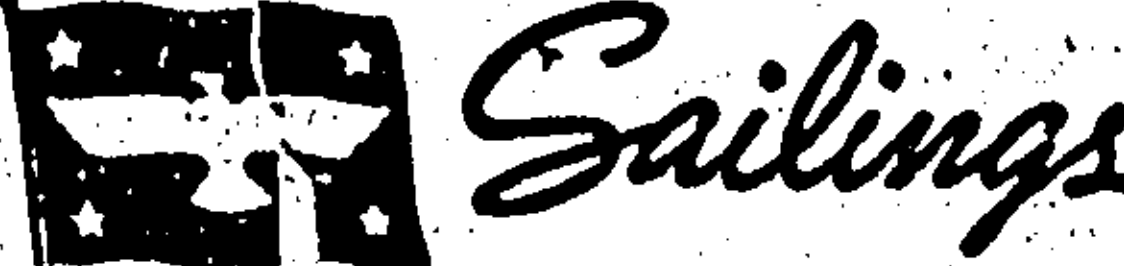
### Notice To Ships

It is officially announced that all power driven vessels entering or leaving Hongkong harbour by the Tathong Channel must pass to the eastward of Wanglan, and also keep to the eastward of a line joining Cape Collinson and Tathong Rock. All channels between Wanglan and Bluff Point (Tatham Peninsula) are closed to power-driven vessels.

### Springboks To Fight In North Africa

PRETORIA, June 3 (Reuters).—Field Marshal Jan Smuts, broadcasting on the anniversary of the departure of the South African troops for East Africa, said that the Italian menace there had been eliminated and another illustrious chapter added to South African history. South Africans were now going forward to meet the more formidable German forces in North Africa. Heavier fighting was expected. The country, therefore, needed a constant inflow of volunteers to keep the units at the front at full strength and a new call would not be made in vain.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

LANE CRAWFORD, LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Nineteenth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held at Exchange Building, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, 21st June, 1941, at ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 10th June to 21st June, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
A. W. BROWN,  
Manager.  
Hong Kong, 3rd June, 1941.

## THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE LIMITED

Notice to Shareholders

The Sixtieth Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Wednesday, the 25th June, 1941, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1940.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 11th June to the 25th June, 1941, both days inclusive.

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## FOR SALE

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Tenders are invited for the purchase and removal from H.M. Victualling Yard, Kowloon, of 543 bags Flour (26,768 lbs.). The Flour can be inspected at any time during Yard working hours and tenders should be forwarded to the Superintendent by noon, Monday, 9th June.

## FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

What to do to help a child

Anyone knowing of a child who has been assaulted, neglected, or ill-treated in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health, or knowing of a parent who is seeking advice on any matter concerning a child, would be doing an act of kindness by communicating at once with the Hon. General Secretary, H.K.S.P.C., Old City Hall, 1st floor.  
The Inspector, 82 Stone Nullah Lane, 2nd Floor.  
The Inspector, 12 Sai Yeung Choi Street, Kowloon.  
The Inspector, 52, Argyle St., Kowloon.  
All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society. The Informant's name will be kept strictly private, except in cases where malice is proved.

## Japanese Troop Movements

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
HANOI, June 3 (UP).—One thousand Japanese troops from Hainan departed from here to-day for an unknown destination.  
General R. Sumita, head of the Japanese economic mission returned to Hanoi yesterday from Tokyo.

## MURPHY FOR P. I.

### Basis For Reports

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
WASHINGTON, June 3 (UP).—The widespread publication of reports that Associate Justice Frank Murphy will relieve High Commissioner Francis Sayre at Manila are credited in highly placed Manila circles with having a basis in discussion but not in fact.

Informal sources asserted that there has been intensive canvassing of possible candidates to send to Manila to help guide the Philippines through the troubles of the international situation if Mr. Sayre is recalled but no decision has yet been reached.  
It is understood that Mr. Murphy, participated in these discussions and some official sources are reported to have suggested to the White House the possibility that Mr. Murphy himself might return to the scene of his earlier triumphs where he still retains a tremendous interest.

### Would Need Order

Nevertheless, Mr. Murphy is very unlikely to need to such a suggestion unless it came as a direct order from the White House. Even then, it might be doubtful.  
Mr. Murphy has a life-time record officially has prestige second only to the President. His record in the Supreme Court except for his dissenting opinion in the Sacco and Vanzetti case is spotless. Nevertheless, there have been some reports that Mr. Murphy is not entirely happy and has ambitions which are not being satisfied by his present office, excited though it is. According to this view, Mr. Murphy might consider his return to Manila as a stepping stone to re-entry into political life.

### Yarnell Mentioned

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
WASHINGTON, June 3 (UP).—A usually reliable source said to-day that High Commissioner Sayre will be recalled as soon as a suitable replacement can be found. He asserted that the gathering war clouds in the Far East gave impetus to the move to place a "firmer hand" in the Philippines.

Mr. Murphy may return to Manila, he reported. The United States is particularly interested at present in developing defence unity with the Philippines, hence, the close attention to Philippine affairs.

President Roosevelt is considered as holding Mr. Sayre in high personal esteem and some sources believe that Mr. Sayre's experience in diplomacy and Philippine affairs may be utilised to greater advantage in Washington. Admiral Harry Yarnell's name is still frequently mentioned with regard to the Manila post.

## BENGHAZI, TOBRUK RAIDED

CAIRO, June 3 (Reuters).—

Another attack was made on military objectives in Benghazi by bomber aircraft of the R.A.F. during the night of June 1-2 and a number of explosions were caused in the harbour area, states to-night's R.A.F. Middle East communiqué.

Two Junkers-88 were destroyed by A.A. fire over Tobruk on June 2. Another enemy aircraft was shot down by A.A. fire off Alexandria during the night of May 31-June 1.

### Abyssinia

Bombing continued in Abyssinia in the Gondar area, Scola area, on the Omo River and at Debarach. Aircraft of the South African Air Force and the Free French unit took part in these operations.  
One of our aircraft is missing. From other fronts there is nothing outstanding to report.

## Standard Oil And Japan

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**

FLEMINGTON, N.J., June 3 (UP).—Mr. William Farish, President of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, to-day told the stockholders meeting that the company owns a half interest in Standard Vacuum Oil which is domiciled in other lands and the East Indies.

"About six months ago, this affiliate joined the Dutch and British oil interests by special arrangement for a limited period to sell Japan national supplies of oil and ordinary oil products, 100 octane aviation gasoline excluded," he declared. Under the agreement mentioned, the total movement of Dutch Indies oil to Japan is much smaller than "Japan imports from other sources of supply."

## Resignations Of Vichy Officials

LONDON, June 3 (Reuters).—Two members of the Vichy Embassy in Ankara have resigned in protest against Admiral Darlan's policy of collaboration with Germany.  
They are Counsellor Jean Desbats and Second Secretary Jean Berger. Announcing this late to-night from the Ankara Radio, Martin Agronsky, correspondent of the National Broadcasting Corporation, said that the resignations were of Jean Desbats and Jean Berger, and that they were of the rank of Counsellor and Second Secretary respectively.

## China Underwriters Ltd Hold Annual Meeting

"Looking at the accounts generally the New and Renewal Life Premiums have both increased and increased in Premium Income are shown in all other departments, particularly in the Marine Account which has been augmented by receipt of War Risk Premiums and Surcharges," said the Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields (Chairman of the Board of Directors) when he presided at the annual general meeting of the China Underwriters Ltd., held to-day.

It was also disclosed that the General Reserve Fund which stood at \$25,000 had been brought up to \$100,000 by the transfer of \$75,000 from Profit and Loss.

Present were: Dr. J. W. Anderson, the Hon. Mr. Li Tse-fong, Messrs M. Nemazeo, G. A. Pentreath and H. R. Sturt (Directors), and Messrs H. J. M. de Figueiredo, I. W. Shewan, H. Dwyer, J. Dick, Wang Tai-shan, Wang Sum-yee and E. H. Loseby (representing the Estate of J. P. Undercup, deceased) (shareholders) and Mr. E. R. Childie (Secretary).

### Chairman's Speech

Mr. Shields said: "Gentlemen:—We have now the pleasure to lay before you our Report and Accounts for the year ending December 31, 1940.

In the Life Assurance Department New Business Premiums at \$127,005 show an increase over the corresponding figure of \$118,005 in 1939. Renewal Premiums at \$588,633 also show an increase over last year's figure of \$551,179.

The Total Premium Income has increased from \$699,785 to \$715,688. Death Claims have increased from \$117,899 to \$154,880.

Claims maturing were \$144,200 compared with \$112,230 last year. Surrenders have decreased satisfactorily from \$152,169 to \$132,137.

Expenses excluding commission are about the same as last year and the Life Assurance Fund shows an increase from \$1,221,370 to \$1,262,000.

### Fire Insurance

In the Fire Insurance Department Premiums have increased from \$101,024 to \$123,512 excluding an amount of \$25,132 representing the premium received for unexpired risks under an increased proportion of a Treaty Account.

Claims at \$57,032 show an increase over last year's figure of \$45,207 and the Fire Insurance Fund has increased from \$87,873 to \$132,103.

In the Accident Insurance Account Premiums at \$68,507 show an increase compared with the figure of \$49,301 last year.

Claims were lower having decreased from \$25,594 to \$18,741. The Accident Insurance Fund has increased from \$20,381 to \$40,323.

In the Marine Insurance Account Premiums at \$256,233 show a large increase over the figure of \$130,414 last year.

Claims at \$55,100 show a decrease compared with the figure of \$69,480 and the Marine Insurance Fund has increased from \$102,153 to \$244,899.

The interest received from the Loss Account was \$76,111 compared with \$67,691 and \$75,000 has been transferred to the General Reserve Fund leaving a balance in Profit & Loss of \$8,254.

### Balance Sheet

In the Balance Sheet the principal items calling for comment are an increase from \$443,127 to \$545,323 in Mortgages, an increase from \$10,470 to \$76,420 in Police Loans, and an increased sum invested in Indian and Colonial Government securities.

In reference to the Balance Sheet as at December 31, 1939 we stated that the Stock Exchange Investments were valued below market value after taking into account the Investment and Exchange Reserve of \$39,897. The market value of these securities increased during the year and the Investment and Exchange Reserve of \$71,709 is now a free Reserve, after valuing the securities in the aggregate below market value.

The Total Assets have increased from \$3,304,661 to \$3,860,025 including an increase in Paid-up Capital of \$175,925.

### General Points

Looking at the accounts generally the New and Renewal Life Premiums have both increased and increased in Premium Income are shown in all other departments, particularly in the Marine Account which has been augmented by receipt of War Risk Premiums and Surcharges.

The Funds in the Fire, Marine and Accident Departments show a total increase of \$208,915.

Assuming reserves for unexpired risks of 60% of a year's premium in the Marine Account and 40% of a year's premium in the Fire and Accident Accounts there was a surplus in these Accounts at the beginning of the year of \$71,788. On the same basis the surplus at the end of the year was \$168,015 showing a profit during the year in the Accounts of \$114,827. The whole of the increases in the Funds of these Departments have, however, been left in Reserve as the incidence of claims, particularly as regards Risks in the Marine Account, cannot be satisfactorily dealt with on a year-to-year basis.

The General Reserve Fund which stood at \$25,000 has been brought up to \$100,000 by the transfer of \$75,000 from Profit and Loss.

In conclusion I should like to place on record our appreciation of the valued co-operation of the Managing Director, Branch Managers, Secretaries and Staff and I have no pleasure in proposing the adoption of the Report and Accounts for the year ending December 31, 1940. When that has been seconded, I shall be pleased to answer any questions which shareholders may wish to ask.

Mr. H. J. M. de Figueiredo seconded the adoption of the Report and Accounts, which was passed unanimously.

On the proposal of Mr. J. Dick seconded by Mr. Wang Sum-yee, the Hon. Mr. Li Tse-fong and Mr. C. A. Pentreath were re-elected Directors.

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## Large Fines On Firewood Dealers

The managers of seven firewood firms, were fined \$1,000 each or one month's imprisonment at Central Magistracy before Mr. H. G. Sheldon K.C. this morning, for selling firewood at higher than Government prices.

Mr. F. W. Shaftain, Assistant Director of Criminal Investigation, prosecuted, assisted by Det.-Inspector J. O'Donovan, while Mr. Alfred Y. Hon appeared for four Defendants. The others were undefended.

Mr. Shaftain said that the firewood in question was split firewood and the prosecution had cited it under that heading so that there could be no question of Defendants pleading that the wood sold was of a different grade. Split firewood covered all classes of firewood, and the Government price fixed by Government was 30 cents per 100 lbs.

### From Singapore

Mr. Hon pleading in mitigation for his clients, Cheung Wan-nam of the Luen Loong Shop, No. 41 Conduit Road, Upper Levels, Chan Ching-pik of the Wing Fat Cheung Shop, No. 40 Graham Street, Central, Cheong of the Chung Hing, No. 60 Stanley Street, Central, and Lo Luk of the Fook Shing Shop, No. 28 Possession Street, West Point, said that there was not sufficient stock of Government firewood in the Colony and dealers had therefore to purchase stocks from abroad. The firewood sold by his clients had been imported from Singapore. It was superior to the Government firewood and gave greater heat and was therefore more expensive and it was not possible for his clients to sell that firewood at the Government price without suffering loss.

Mr. Hon further stated that it was only the wealthy classes who purchased that type of firewood and the poorer classes therefore were not affected by the higher prices being charged.

Mr. Sheldon said that he did not agree with Mr. Hon on that point. The Defendants had broken the law by selling at prices in excess of the rates fixed by Government and in doing so they were breaking the regulations.

### Other Defendants

The other Defendants were Kwok Lau of the Hop Yick Shop, No. 23 Graham Street, Central, Ho Lai of the Man Lee Firm, 17 Graham Street, Central, and Ngan Tat of the Sal Kong Store, No. 20 Hollywood Road, Central.

Kwok Lau pleaded guilty, but Ho Lai and Ngan pleaded not guilty and in both cases the Crown case rested on the evidence of Police who had entered the shops in plainclothes and made purchases of firewood for which they had been overcharged.

Ho Lai stated that he had paid for his stock of imported firewood at \$1 per 45 catties excluding transportation charges and he could not sell at that price without loss.

All the summonses were as the result of Constables in plainclothes being sent to the shops to buy firewood on May 24. Four of the firms had given 10 catties less per \$1—i.e. they sold at 35 catties per \$1 instead of the Government rate of 45 catties per \$1. Chan Ching-pik's firm had given seven catties less and Chu Fong eight less while Ngan Tai's firm gave only 33 catties for \$1.

### RICE FINES RESCINDED

The summonses against five rice shopkeepers who were fined on May 22 for selling rice at a price in excess of that fixed by the Controller of Trade were withdrawn by Mr. H. C. Macnamara at Kowloon Magistracy this morning because technically the evidence offered by the Police was insufficient.

Defendants and their original fines were: Cheung Yuen-gan, master of the Tung Hing Loong Rice Shop, No. 103 Nanchang Street (fine \$1,000); Wong Kai, master of a rice shop at No. 185 Lalchikok Road (fine \$1,000); Chan Siu-hong, master of a rice shop at No. 177 Lalchikok Road (fine \$750); Yeung Tze-mei, master of a rice shop at No. 98 Kwelin Street (fine \$750); and Chan Tui, master of a rice shop at 52 Polho Street (fine \$750).

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## Erroll Slaying Evidence

### Broughton's Gun Used

NAIROBI, June 3 (Reuters).—The most important evidence to date in the trial for murder of Sir Delve Broughton was by Mr. A. E. Harwich, who is at present a Uganda Police Officer. He was formerly in Palestine and is a Fellow of the Royal Microscopical Society and the Medical-Legal Society. He has close acquaintance with the Broughtons. Mr. Harwich declared that as a result of experiments in connection with Lord Erroll's death, he was convinced beyond doubt that the bullets from Nanyild Farm, where Sir Delve Broughton practised with his revolver, were fired from the same weapon as the bullet which killed Lord Erroll.

He was positive of this from markings on the bullets and said that the weapon could not have been a Colt revolver.

## H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

Mercantile C. £	11 1/2
East Asia \$	71
INSURANCES	
Cantons \$	220
Union \$	405
China Underwriters \$	1
H. K. Fire \$	176
SHIPPING	
Douglas \$	128
Steamboats \$	8
Indo-China P. \$	80
Indo-China D. \$	60
Shell (Bearers) s/-	10/-
Waterboats \$	6.55
DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves \$	80
Docks \$	14.80
Provident \$	5
S'nal Dockyards \$	25 1/4









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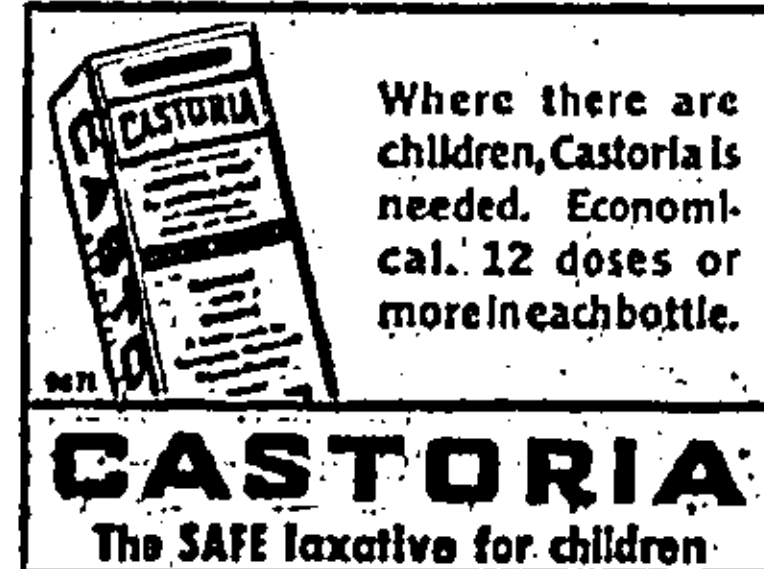
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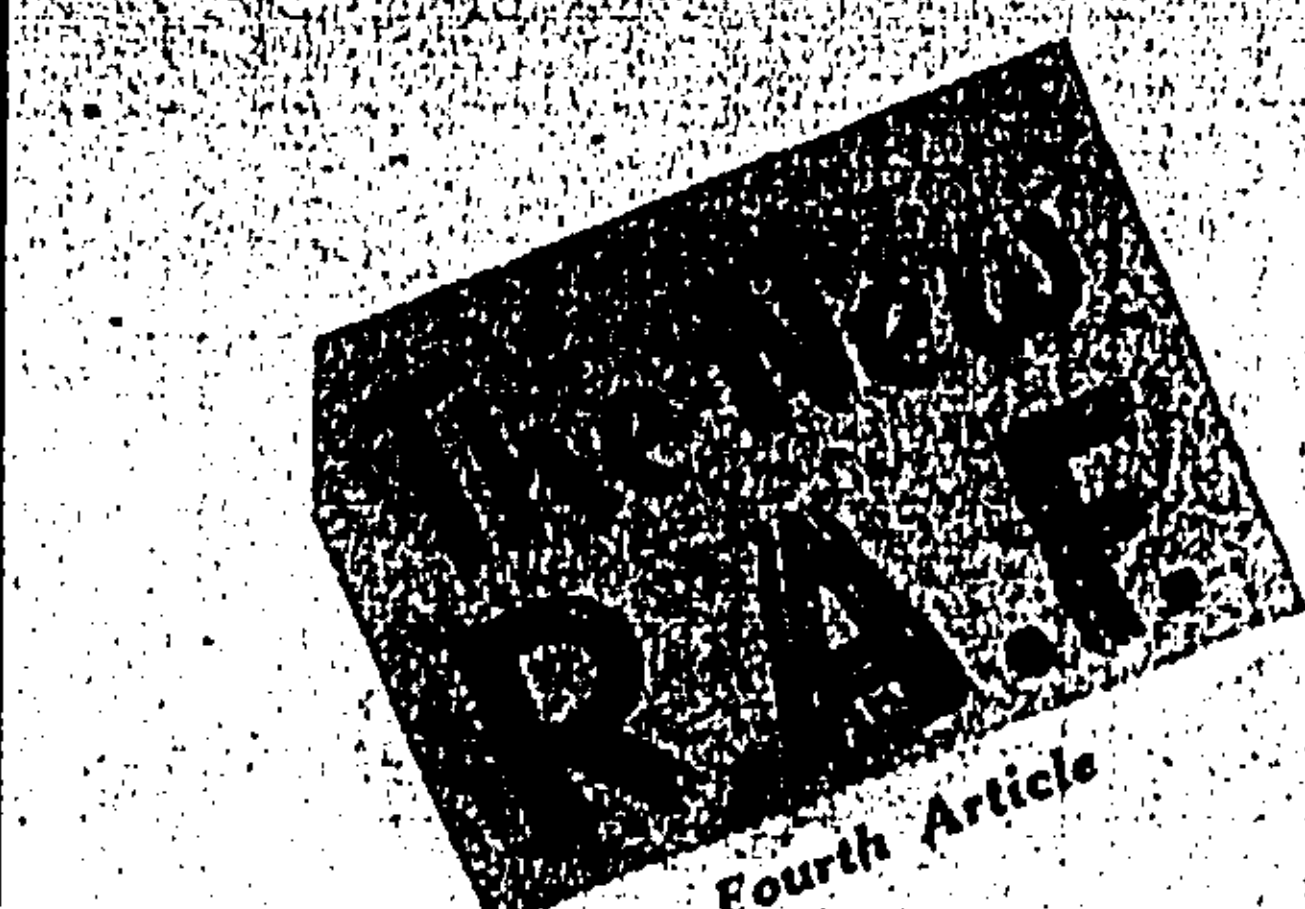
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## WHAT IF THE DICTATORS DO MEET!

The two Fascist dictators have met again and the usual pastime of guessing why and what resulted therefrom is in full swing. Opinions vary: The meeting was designed to set a date for the invasion of Britain; to discuss measures for continuing the battle of the Mediterranean; to bewail between themselves President Roosevelt's speech. These and others are the popular theories, although just what it matters anyhow is a little difficult to understand. The meeting may have been for example, simply a Whitsun Parade for the purpose of gaining a bit of world-wide publicity, especially when it is remembered that Mussolini has been pushed rather severely in the background in consequence of his inept military campaigns of the past ten months.

Most important point is that demonstrative parleys between Hitler and Mussolini no longer possess any particular significance for Britain and her Allies. Neither political nor military surprises are any longer on the cards. Of possibilities, there are many, but they can be, and surely are being, anticipated to the full; therefore it is well to appreciate that (a) Britain is more than ever prepared to meet and withstand an invasion, (b) that although the situation in the Mediterranean provides some anxiety consequent upon the fall of Greece and Crete, our military dispositions along the vital southern frontier of Syria have been strengthened, while troops from Abyssinia are now available for action elsewhere, (c) that while engaged in full dress battles in the eastern Mediterranean and northern Africa, we successfully dealt with a threatening situation in Iraq.

The outcome of the Crete struggle encourages despondency largely because the public had been told that retention of the island was a vital factor in control of the eastern Mediter-



## By Air Commodore P. F. M. Fellowes, D.S.O.

SOME irreverent person once said the barrage balloon resembled an elephant that had received bad news.

There is also the delightful story of the old Londoner who, at the beginning of the war, was heard to say:—

"However long those blooming Huns stay up there in their balloons, they won't frighten me!"

In short, the balloons are treated by the public with a certain levity. And I myself must confess that I have always doubted the economic and tactical value of the great balloon organisation we have built up.

Nevertheless, that does not diminish my great respect for the thoroughness and efficiency with which the plan has been carried out.

There is, in fact, no question that the balloons have reached a remarkably high standard of organisation under the command of Air Chief Marshal Sir E. L. Gossage.

Now the purpose of the barrage balloon is two-fold. It is to keep aircraft to such a height that they are unable to carry out accurate dive-bombing and to keep them at such a height that anti-aircraft gunfire can conveniently get at them.

It will be appreciated that if the aircraft fly at very low levels, anti-aircraft guns could not be trained fast enough to enable them to follow the target.

### Kept High

Barrage balloons are probably the most effective method of protecting small targets of great value from surprise dive-bombing attacks, but I know that they are not of any great value in protecting large areas from medium or high bombing attacks.

My reason for this belief is that I am sure the vast majority of enemy airmen have not sufficient determination to come down very low over our country.

I believe it is only the exceptional men who are prepared to do this—because once they are down low they are very liable to be caught and shot down, either by our fighters or by machine-gun fire from the ground.

The average man in an aeroplane when over enemy country, likes to remain as high above that country as he can, while carrying out the duty for which he is detailed.

An objection is raised that if you protect only the valuable targets, the balloons will give away their exact position, but this is not really cogent, because if there is any wind the balloon will trail a long way to leeward.

the defence of Suez, nevertheless Crete served a very important and highly useful purpose; it delayed the enemy and caused him pretty considerable losses in men and material. Crete was a reverse, but a reverse which there is every reason to hope will lead to an eventual victory in the Near East that will efface the disappointments which have attended the allied campaign.

A really full-out pilot—and these do not by any means grow on every gooseberry bush—will take a chance and dive between balloons if he can see them.

He knows that the wire always lies in a curve below, and in a line with the longer axis of the balloon.

Another objection to the barrage balloons is that they are a source of great danger and mental discomfort to our own pilots.

If an aircraft hits a balloon wire it is not by any means certain that the aircraft will be brought down—but it is certainly not a chance that any pilot in the world will take if he can avoid it.

A machine hitting a balloon wire is quite likely to cut the cable, even if it is not brought down itself. If a propeller hits a balloon wire it will be damaged, but the aircraft may still be able to fly.

### Moral Effect

If a very large aeroplane runs into a balloon wire, the chances are very much in favour of the aircraft and against the balloon wire.

However, there is no question that the balloon wires have a tremendous moral effect on ordinary men (although, once more, the extraordinary man regards it only as another war risk).

It is interesting to realise that in peace time the mere presence of balloons would keep all pilots at least 10 miles away from the vicinity unless the visibility was extraordinarily clear.

The handling of a balloon in open country—in fair weather—can only be done successfully by trained and experienced personnel, but in really bad weather, in confined places in large cities, it is a task which requires not only training and experience, but qualities of real resource and initiative.

In a high wind, a partially-deflated balloon can behave like a bucking and bad-tempered horse.

If it tears a fin, or is damaged in some way so as to put it out of balance, its behaviour can be indescribable, except perhaps by a well-educated sailor or old-fashioned cab driver.

The winch itself is a complicated piece of mechanism which requires skill and a high standard of training to manipulate, while regassing under certain atmospheric conditions can be dangerous.

### They Go To Sea

The smoothness and efficiency with which this great organisation now runs, when the difficulties and possibilities of making mistakes are evaluated, is most remarkable.

The balloons, which originally were confined to land defence, have now taken to the sea.

On the water they are used not only from stationary barges—to safeguard important channels from magnetic and other mine laying—but in convoys, to guard against low bombing attacks.

In future it is quite conceivable that they may be used in convoys for observation work against submarines.

In the last war kite balloons were used to sit up in their thousands at several thousand feet above the sea, and were shot down by incendiary bullets while they were calmly and quickly doing their duty.

# Real purpose of the BALLOON BARRAGE



Handling a balloon requires training and experience, resource and initiative.

With this example before us, I can see no reason why observers in balloons should not be utilised for convoy work.

Here they would be of immense value.

With powerful binoculars, they would have a field of view which would enable them to spot any submarine, moving either on the surface or with its periscope above water, for, perhaps, a circumference of twenty miles.

There is, of course, the objection that a barrage balloon would give away the position of a convoy. But the smoke of a convoy already does this.

### Up And Up

And in order that the submarine should spot the balloon it has got to come to the surface, or, at any rate, projects its periscope.

It is highly probable, therefore, that the balloon would spot the submarine first, if it were in movement. The line of foam on the surface of the water is very distinctive.

As is generally known, we are now developing balloons which will go to a much greater height.

This idea will reduce the determination of enemy pilots by adding to their uncertainties. It will be useful at night....

There are many other methods now under experiment for combating the night bomber. I am not free to discuss them yet.

But I can say that, in conjunction with the balloons, and our night fighters, and our anti-aircraft, these should shortly make this country so unpleasant to the enemy that he will, to a large extent, cease to visit us.

At present the anti-aircraft organisation that we are building up in this country has to suffer from one great defect. It is static.

That is to say, if you put a gun down near London it is of no use to Manchester or Birmingham.

It is here that the fighter—or any aircraft utilising any system of combating the bomber—possibly possesses a great advantage in its mobility.

### Better Defences

However, our anti-aircraft methods are rapidly becoming more efficient. It is our searchlights, at present, which have proved ineffective—not through their own fault, but because enemy aircraft are now flying so low.

such enormous heights, and continue to fly at such great speeds.

Sound travels at approximately 1,100 feet a second, and if you like to calculate what this means with an aeroplane travelling at 250 m.p.h., at 30,000 feet, you will appreciate how difficult it is to lay a gun on to an aeroplane with any device relying upon sound, even if it continues to fly in a straight line at the same height.

Furthermore, both our own and enemy pilots do their utmost to confuse and check-mate the anti-aircraft automatic calculating devices.

If you imagine yourself to be a pilot flying at 30,000 feet, at 250 m.p.h., and turning every minute 30 degrees one way and then 30 degrees back another way, and then, perhaps, 45 degrees one way and 45 degrees back the other way, you will see how impossible you make it for the calculator operator.

### Omnibus Methods

Particularly when you realise that a shell, to do any serious harm to an aircraft has to burst within 30 to 70 yards of it, according to size.

Also, to burst that shell accurately anywhere the gun has to be laid exactly on the right spot and the time-fuse has to be accurate to a very small proportion of a second.

This short discussion on the anti-aircraft organisation for long range work is meant only to illustrate the extreme difficulty of obtaining results important enough to dissuade the enemy from attacking us.

My remarks, of course, do not apply to aeroplanes which come down very low and fly over areas protected by light automatic or machine guns.

Here the only safeguard of the aeroplane against well-armed fire by determined and highly-trained gun crews is surprise.

Finally, we can comfort ourselves by the knowledge that our omnibus methods of combating attacks from the air have proved so effective, despite their limitations, that we have strong reasons to believe that the enemy is discouraged from carrying out attacks by day over the country.

And we are in process of discouraging them to the same extent from carrying out attacks by night.

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## Propaganda Tactics By Nazis Busy In Syria

ANKARA, June 3 (Reuter).—German propaganda is very active among the Moslems in Syria, it is learned here. They are making great play with the Jewish question and are also distributing food. One hundred and twenty trucks of sugar, wheat, rice and aviation spirit have arrived at Aleppo. The food was given to the populace while the spirit was kept for the Luftwaffe.

As regards the local population, all experts agree that the Syrian Christians are openly pro-British. German propaganda has also failed to succeed among the Shia Moslem minority while the attitude of the French is mixed.

**Air Desertion**  
It is reported that recently, from three flights sent up to chase the British from the Ryak airport, two joined the British and flew to Palestine. Syria's main oil refinery at Tripoli was badly damaged by sabotage early in May.

The more I talk with those recently in Syria the stronger is the impression that whoever gets to Syria first, whether British or Germans, will meet with very little opposition. Everybody seems disgusted with Vichy mis-rule and would welcome the restoration of law and order.

**German Influence**

Apparently there are no Germans in uniform in Syria yet, only a large air force personnel and ground staff, but according to a Turkish resident in Syria of long standing, "every day the Germans are growing more powerful and more active."

Britain has no time to lose, he added, as the Germans are doing their utmost to stir up religious discord. He would not be surprised if religious riots and fights broke out at any moment.

## Big Bomber Production

**Huge Order Placed**  
WASHINGTON, June 3 (Reuter).—Two huge new orders, estimated to provide about 800 giant bombers, have been placed by the War Department.

One of these orders placed with Consolidated Aircraft Company of San Diego is valued at \$22,636,200. The second, placed with the Boeing Company of Seattle, is valued at \$95,242,600.

**Target Is 500 Monthly**  
These orders are understood to be designed to further President Roosevelt's bomber production goal of 500 large bombers a month.

The announcement of the placing of these orders followed quickly on the information made earlier to-day that three large aircraft manufacturers, Douglas, Vega and Boeing, had decided to pool all their resources to speed up the production of a single type of large bomber.

## ADMIRAL HONoured

LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—"For distinguished services in effecting the withdrawal from the beaches of Greece under fire and in the face of the great difficulties, of many thousands of Allied troops," and "for services in command of His Majesty's ships at the victory of Cape Matapan," Vice-Admiral H. D. Priham-Wippl, second in command of the Mediterranean Fleet, has been appointed Knight Commander of the Bath.

This is announced in a supplement to the "London Gazette" to-night.

## Quiet Over Britain

LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—Between dusk and an early hour this morning, the only enemy air activity over Britain was the passage of a few machines over the coast at two widely-separated points. No bombs were reported.

## Chungking Suffers Heavy Casualties in New Raid

CHUNGKING, June 3 (Reuter).—Casualties in yesterday's bombing were probably higher than those in any previous raid this year, according to reports from various quarters.

Many factors contributed to this misfortune. Seventy-seven people were killed and many were injured in one dug-out which was constructed, not for the populace but for trucks. This dug-out was without any protection at the entrance.

After an urgent alarm, many people flocked into this dug-out for trucks which enters straight into a rock for some distance without any turns. It has no holes at the entrance, as there are in all dug-outs for the populace.

One bomb landed directly in front of the entrance.

Many people who remained with their boats were killed and their boats were blown up when bombs dropped in the Yangtze and Chialing rivers.

## Americans Now In Favour Of U.S. Convoying War Supplies

NEW YORK, June 3 (Reuter).—A Gallup survey on the question, "Should the United States Navy be used to guard the ships carrying war materials to Britain?" resulted as follows:

Yes—52 per cent.  
No—40 per cent.  
Undecided—8 per cent.

The survey was completed before the President's fireside talk.

**Five State Analyses**  
Dr Gallup notes that just after war began 21 months ago, 84 per cent. wanted American ships to stay out of the war zone. Five of the largest State analyses on the current question were as follows:

	Yes	No	Undecided
New York	50	44	6
Pennsylvania	52	41	7
Illinois	46	48	6
Ohio	48	48	4
California	50	44	6

## BRITISH ENVOY'S NEW JOB

**News For America**  
LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—It has been decided to entrust the direction of the existing British information services in the United States to Sir Gerald Campbell, now serving as British Minister in Washington, in response to the increasing demand in the United States for fuller and more complete information concerning Britain's war effort and for improvement of the supply of news from British sources. It is announced in London.

Sir Gerald, whose office will be in New York, will relinquish his appointment as Minister in order to assume that of Director General of the British Information Services.

**Previous Posts**  
Sir Gerald was High Commissioner in Canada until Mr Malcolm MacDonald was appointed to that position early this year. He has had long experience of the United States and is very popular there.

Becoming Consul General in Philadelphia in 1920, he went to San Francisco in 1922 and to New York in 1921, where he remained until he went to Ottawa in 1938. He has also served in Brazil, Belgian Congo, Italy and Abyssinia.

"Britain's motto is Thumbs Up, not Hands Up," he said in a recent speech in New York.

**A Dream Story**  
Soon after his appointment to Canada, he told a social gathering about a dream in which he saw Hitler in a vast stadium, apparently running in an athletic meeting. Hitler was dashing about and crossing bridges. He reached the last bridge, but this was an illusion—there was no bridge—and Hitler fell into a chasm.

## Winant Sees Mr Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, June 3 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt conferred for an hour to-day with Mr John G. Winant, United States Ambassador to Great Britain.

Mr Winant, it was noted, was carrying a bulging brief case when he entered the White House. He remained for luncheon at which Mr Harry Hopkins, who is charged with the carrying out of the Aid For Britain programme, was also present.

## MALTA SCORES Unimportant Raids

MALTA, June 3 (Reuter).—British fighters shot down into the sea one Junkers-82 troop-carrier this afternoon.

Announcing this, a communique states that all British machines returned safely.

The incident occurred during the second air raid alarm to-day, but on the first occasion enemy planes merely flew over the island, presumably on reconnaissance.

There were also two alarms on Monday.

No incidents followed the first while on the second occasion, enemy aircraft were driven off by anti-aircraft fire, dropping their bombs into the sea.

**Tale of Heroism**  
Casualties were high at Chalingen, a small, populated town on the north bank of the Chialing river opposite Chungking, where many bombs were dropped.

A tale of heroism is told of an old woman who was killed in an attempt to save the life of a child. When the raiders appeared, the child was running in the street. The old woman, who was already safely sheltered, dashed out into the street to bring the child into the dug-out. Both were killed.

**Kian Raided**

KIAN, June 3 (Central News).—Eight Japanese planes, flying from their base in Hupei, early this morning raided Kian and dropped bombs over the suburbs. Most bombs fell on open spaces.

## Leakage of War Goods to Axis

U.S. Congress Wants Action

**Special to the "Telegraph"**  
WASHINGTON, June 3 (UP).—The House Rules Committee plans to call in military and diplomatic officials to confer with them prior to taking action on the proposed Congressional inquiry into the leakage of war materials to the Axis powers.

Representative John Coffee asked the Committee to approve his resolution creating a special investigating committee of five Representatives and five Senators. He stated that the investigation should determine the means for plugging access by the Axis powers to war materials in the western hemisphere, adding that he would be willing to amend his resolution to include Russia.

The Committee was called into executive session and will consider the resolution to-morrow. It was also indicated that it will determine President Roosevelt's attitude.

**Curtailed Shipments**  
The Secretary of State, Mr Cordell Hull to-day stated that the United States is working on the curtailment of shipments of strategic raw materials from South America to Germany via the Orient.

At the press conference, Mr Hull, answering a direct question, declared that the Government is giving the problem considerable attention and is also watching the Japanese-Netherlands East Indies trade negotiations, but he indicated that there is no reason for alarm.

## LABOUR'S SOLID AIM

LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—Labour to-day is united in the cause of freedom, declared M. Camille Huysmans, President of the Labour and Socialist International, at to-day's session of the Labour Party Conference.

Mr George Gibson, Chairman of the Trades Union Congress, said that the working people would not be behind if the country reached the stage when further sacrifices were called for, but there would be no wage cutting until unlimited dividends were sacrificed.

The session concluded with the delegates standing in silence in honour of comrades on the Continent suffering under the heel of tyranny. They sang the "International".

**Bevin's Speech**  
LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—British Labour will never yield, declared the Minister of Labour, Mr Ernest Bevin, broadcasting to the National Conference of Social Workers in the United States.

Labour, he said, was wholeheartedly supporting the war because, he believed that it was righteous.

"We are determined to preserve our spiritual inheritance. We will not be driven back into slavery. Therefore, Labour, in common with the whole nation, is determined to see this bitter struggle through to a victorious end."

"Prussian policy is the very antithesis of that of the United States itself. What has been so very encouraging in the evolution of your relationships has been the growth of the policy of good-neighbourliness, one which has encouraged every lover of the rights of men all over the world."

"It stands out as a tremendous contrast to Prussian militarism and domination."

## Shortage Of Potatoes

**Sends Price Soaring**  
The price of potatoes has doubled in the last few days, the price this morning being 48 cents per catty.

Potatoes normally consumed in Hongkong come from North China, Formosa and Japan. Dealers say, however, that shipments are few and far between, and there is consequently a definite shortage in the Colony, though one large shipment is expected within the next two days.

The present retail price is approximately 400 per cent. higher than the price obtaining about this time last year.

**Darlan Receives Weyand**

LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—Admiral Darlan to-day received General Weyand with whom he talked for some time, states the official German news agency.

## Fukien Official Changes

CHUNGKING, June 3 (Central News).—A partial reorganization of the Fukien Provincial Government was effected by a decision of the Executive Yuan at its meeting this morning.

The resignation of Mr Hsu Hauch-yu as a member of the Provincial Government was accepted. Mr Pao Ko-yung was relieved of his concurrent post as Commissioner of Reconstruction and Mr Lu Kwei-hsing appointed his successor.

Upon the petition of the Kweichow Provincial Government, Mr Ho Chi-wu was appointed the first Mayor of Kweichow Municipality.

The meeting also approved of the appointment of Mr Kwah Chi-yu as Director of the Revenue Department of the Ministry of Finance in succession to Mr Kao Ping-fang who will be transferred to another post.

Mr Ku Shu-sheng was appointed Director of the People's Education Department of the Ministry of Education and relieved of his incumbent post as Director of the Popular Education Department.

## Czechs Clog Machinery

**Wholesale Dismissals**  
LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—Eighty-two thousand officials have been dismissed by the German authorities in the Moravia-Bohemia Protectorate, according to advices received by the Czechoslovak authorities in London.

The dismissed officials include civil servants in Government departments in Prague, municipal and local employees, postmen, railwaymen and school-teachers.

These mass dismissals are attributed to persistent sabotage which continues to hamper the authorities.

Recently four serious railway accidents due to untraceable causes had been reported.

## FATE OF MATCHEK

**Ex-Croat Leader**  
JERUSALEM, June 3 (Reuter).—The Croat Peasant Party leader, Dr Vladimir Matchek, whose whereabouts have been unknown for some time and who is feared dead, is now interned at Kuzenich, it is learned in authoritative Croat circles in the Middle East.

The Vice-President of the Party, M. Koshutich, has also been arrested. Four special military tribunals have been established in Croatia recently and they are now trying many cases of alleged treason to the new puppet state.

"Treason" is loyalty to the original Yugo-Slav kingdom.

## Missing From Crete

**2,800 New Zealanders**  
WELLINGTON, June 3 (Reuter).—Altogether 2,800 New Zealand soldiers are unaccounted for following the Crete evacuation, according to information at present in the Government.

This was announced by the Acting Prime Minister, Mr Walter Nash, to-day.

He said that the majority should probably be correctly recorded as missing, thousands, he added, had arrived in Egypt from Crete, including 788 wounded.

## Bayonets Versus Aeroplanes

**Heroism Is Not Enough**  
JOHANNESBURG, June 3 (Reuter).—"The Rand Mail" in a leader entitled "Heroism Is Not Enough," says that the overwhelmingly important feature of the Battle of Crete was that from the British viewpoint, it was a battle of bayonets against aeroplanes.

"What the bayonet could do the bayonet did, but it was not enough. That is the primary lesson to be learned from Crete: if men are pitted against aeroplanes, they will always lose. Crete was lost the day on which the fighter squadrons were withdrawn. That step was absolutely necessary but the question is whether when that had been done, the land troops should not also have been withdrawn."

**U.S. Plane Crash: Fifth Victim**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
SAN DIEGO, June 3 (UP).—Mechanic Lewis McCann, the fifth victim of the Consolidated bomber crash died here to-day, several hours after he had been questioned by a representative of the Federal Bureau of Investigation regarding the crash. The wreckage of the bomber is being raised for examination.

## Chinese Military Supply Bonds Campaign Launched

The N.C.\$1,000,000 subscriptions campaign for the Chinese Military Supply Bonds, organised by Chinese Christians in Hongkong, was formally launched at a ceremony held at the Chinese Merchants Club.

These present included the capital of various solicitation units. Following a prayer conducted by Pastor Li Kou-yun, Mr Lam Tse-fung, who presided, reported that already N.C.\$500,000 subscriptions had been realised and expressed the hope that the goal of N.C.\$1,000,000 would not be difficult to attain.

Sir Alexander Chaw urged his audience to subscribe to as many bonds as possible.

Chinese women, business, cultural and youth organisations in Hongkong have also started subscription campaigns for the bonds.

**Mr Fitch's Plea**  
CHUNGKING, June 3 (International).—"There is no place in the world where help is more needed, where our money will bring greater returns and where help is more truly deserved and appreciated than in China," said Mr George A. Fitch, veteran U.S. worker who is now connected with the National Committee of American Men's Christian Association, in a speech before the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.



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# Around The Courses

## World's Longest Hitter Deprecates Desire For Distance

"Muscles And No Finesse"  
Says Jimmy Thomson  
Hint For Summer Play

(By "Birdie")

A LITTLE WHILE AGO I wrote on the sacrifice of accuracy for distance, and I've just read an article on Jimmy Thomson, the acknowledged longest hitter in the world, in which he decries the aim for distance, and strongly advises against it!

"Distance off the tee is nice, if you can get it," he says, "but I have been forced to sacrifice any chance I have had of winning some of the better tournaments, and here I am—a man of muscles and no finesse."

The hot weather here has made the courses hard and dry, and shots, especially off the tee, are running to some extraordinary distances, but where have these led but to the inclination to press and go even further.

There are plenty of gallery spectators willing to applaud his tremendous shots, admits Thomson, "but I haven't found it possible to slug with the driver and hit softly with the iron. It requires the development of two different swings."

"You can hit a ball up to a certain distance and still be delicate with your irons, but when you start slugging with your driver the same tendency will creep into iron play."

He used to think it great to use a No. 9 where others would take out a No. 6. But tournaments aren't won by hitting the ball a mile, or currying around the greens like the loudest and last word.

A little while ago I went around with a single-figure handicap visitor from up north, and he was hitting the ball prodigious distances. But he was pressing in each case, though beautifully and with some screaming. But on the fairways, for his penchant for length got him into more trouble than the ten or twenty yards more worth.

In playing with hitters of this type it may be a little disconcerting to find oneself being consistently outdriven by thirty or forty yards, but it is not one's handicap, say, 14, that is going to cut any strokes off a game on the lines of a harder hitting opponent—rather it will do the opposite.

All the best golfers, at some time or other have remarked on this, and it might be framed in every Clubhouse: "Consistency and Accuracy are on the path to Perfection."

TO players in the Colony who are not deterred by the hot summer sun, I would offer this hint which personal investigation has found to be delightfully cool.

The wearing of a wet cloth hat eliminates all feeling of heat on the head. It will dry, of course, and will have to be damped over and over again, but a longer effect can be had by keeping one's hair wet too.

IF all the balls that have been lost on the 6th and 7th holes at Kowloon were placed in a row they would stretch—well, an awful long way. In most cases it is the sliced ball that suffers oblivion, and as the commonest fault among players is the slice quite a number of people are left to mourn the loss.

But let all blame fall on the player, I would express the opinion held by many that the fault is more the caddy's. These are both blind holes which have hills between the tees and the greens. The caddies are perched on these hills and, from that vantage spot, personally, cannot see why a ball is so easily lost.

I should, perhaps, qualify the earlier remark and state that the fault is not so much the caddy's as in the lack of system in doing their work.

They will stand and watch the flight of the ball and signal the player accordingly—but there, it seems, they imagine their duties rest. They stand in a bunch, unless told, when it would obviously be advantageous to spread out a little.

What has been most irritating is the casual regard they have for the lie of the ball. Instead of tracing the ball immediately, though it might mean a slight dash to follow it more accurately, they wait until the players have hit off and then start out on a hunt along the line which they last saw the ball disappearing.

## W.T. Tilden.... Evergreen And Dominant

Relishes Prospect Of  
25,000-Mile Tour

IN THE YEAR that Big Bill Tilden won his first national singles tennis title, citizens were beginning to get used to Prohibition and the vote for women.

There were a wagging of heads over a bomb explosion in Wall Street and much whistling of such brand-new tunes as "Avalon," "Margie," and "Whispering." Charlie Chaplin and an unknown youngster named Jackie Coogan were vowing them in "The Kid."

Even then—1920—Bill Tilden of the Germantown Cricket Club was no spring chicken. In 1913, when he was 20, he had won the mixed-doubles championship with Mary K. Browne. After that initial triumph, his progress had been very slow. But on that memorable afternoon of Sept. 6 in 1920 when he wrested the title from Bill Johnston at Forest Hills, there were two ominous signs. One was a thunder-storm that flashed on the horizon; the other a plane that crashed in full view of the stands.

For the next five years the thunder in Tilden's strokes drowned the lightning of a prima-donna disposition carried him into perpetual warfare with newspapermen, photographers, officials, linesmen, and ball boys.

**The Idol Falls**  
THEN came the crash: In 1925, 1927, and 1928 he faltered—beaten by Lacoste and Cochet. But after sports writers had dug his grave and delivered the usual obsequies, he came back as champion in 1929. In February 1931 he turned pro.

Tilden was 49 on Feb. 10. Yet in this year's professional tour—billed by Joe Harris, promoter, as the longest in net history—he is matched against Don Budge, still beyond doubt the best tennis player in the world.

Tilden was set to open with the troupe in Madison Square Garden, New York, then move on to Chicago Jan. 8, Minneapolis Jan. 10, and so on through a weary grind of 65 cities strung out over 25,000 miles.

**Prospect Pleases**  
BUT as Tilden practiced with Vincent Richards, he showed clearly that he relished the prospect. For unlike the absent Vines—who has a tremendous zest for tennis.

Even though he needs a new pair of legs, and his timing is off more frequently than in his heyday, his stroking is still impeccable.

Despite the colourful Tilden, the main stress on Harris' 1931 side-splitting tour is the defeatist side for the first time since the Mary K. Browne-Suzanne Lenglen tour of 1920.

**Mixed Doubles**  
THE show became educational when Alice Marble, the top-ranking woman tennis player of the world, decided to turn pro and Mary Hardwick, the best British player, did likewise and became Queen Alice's opponent.

The third attraction of the tour is a well-balanced mixed doubles encounter with the Tilden-Marble combination opposing Budge and Miss Hardwick.

**Exhibition Billiards**  
At Y.M.C.A.  
A. Y. Osmund, former Colony billiards champion, in an exhibition match against C. Terran (Y.M.C.A.) last night won 600-384.

## U.S. Baseball Loses One Of Its Greatest Players

Death of Lou Gehrig

NEW YORK, June 2 (Domol).—Lou Gehrig called the "Rock of Ages" because of his amazing record of 2,130 consecutive games with the New York Yankees in the American League from June 1, 1925 until April 30, 1939, has died after a two-year illness from hardening of the spinal cord, at the age of 37.

It is recalled that the Yankees first baseman retired from active competition with a strange ailment which the world famous Mayo Brothers clinic diagnosed to be amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, termed by the layman infantile paralysis, on his 36th birthday on June 10, 1937.

**League Records**

GEHRIG held many major league records including the lifetime average of .340 and 494 homers, which is second only to those of Babe Ruth and Jimmy Foxx.

He hit .351 percentage in seven world series and earned over \$400,000 during his career with the Yankees.

Following his retirement, Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia of New York City made him a member of a three-man parole board for a ten-year term at a yearly salary of \$5,700.

## Waterpolo

"Y" Trounce  
Navy "A" 6-1

M'sex Overwhelm Gunners

Two matches in the water-polo tournament were held in the Army pool yesterday when Y.M.C.A. beat Navy 6-1 and Middlesex A beat 36th Battery 9-1.

The Y.M.C.A.-Navy game was very fast throughout and only positional changes by the winners enabled them to maintain the initiative. M. D. Booker, who made his debut, made a favourable impression, for he has speed and covers up well, and with a little practice should be invaluable.

Navy were unfortunate to lose players through infringements. Paul, their captain, being ordered out when Navy held the initiative. Rutter had a disappointing evening and received a kick in the face in the opening minutes, which necessitated his leaving the pool. On his return he was ordered out and later on left the pool. Navy's passing was shocking in the second half when they threw away at least three scoring chances by over-shooting.

**Brilliant Goal**  
Paul opened the scoring for Navy with a brilliant goal after lobbing the ball over May's head and swimming through for a close range shot. Rutter then equalised with a backhand shot. Bunn swam clean through from right-back for the best goal of the match.

Benn played one of his best games to date and marked very closely. May then scored twice in succession and Y.M.C.A. changed over 4-1 in the lead. In the second half poor marking cost Navy another two goals. B. Goldman and C. Sloan being the goal-scorers.

**M'sex Too Good**

Middlesex proved much too good for 36th Battery. Scorers for Middlesex were Jennings (4), Binden (3), Burdge and Quickenden. Tuckley replied for the Gunners.

## Shanghai C.C. Officers For 1941 Season

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Shanghai Cricket Club was held on May 16, in the Pavilion, Mr W. J. Monk taking the Chair.

Mr Monk lauded the departure of a large number of members to join various branches of His Majesty's forces and wished them all success and a safe return to Shanghai. He compared their departure with a similar exodus during the Great War.

Brig-Gen. Macnaghten, for many years a stalwart supporter and President of the club was not returning from England. He had resumed military duties in the Home Guard, and was delighted to get back into harness again.

**Great Loss**

THE death of Dr. "Bill" O'Hara, a well-known and valued member of the club, and one of the finest cricketers ever seen in Shanghai.

Mr E. H. Anstie, Honorary Secretary of the Club, had gone on leave



J. C. Remedios (Recreio "B") and A. E. Contes (Craigengower) measuring for the shot in their First Division League bowls match on Sunday.—Ming Yuen.

## League Tennis

South China and C.R.C. Easily Win "B" Division Matches

SOUTH CHINA and the Chinese R.C. secured easy victories in the "B" Division of the Tennis League yesterday, beating the Civil Service and Kowloon Tong by 9-0 and 7-1 respectively. In the remaining fixture, the Kowloon C.C. accounted for the Army 51-31.

B. Agafuroff and W. J. Skinner were the only two Civil Servants to offer any measure of opposition to South China. W. T. Lee and W. C. Hoh took their three sets with the loss of three games only.

A. E. P. Guest and F. Grose contributed mainly to the K.C.C. win by taking all three sets, though F. Kengalbacker and N. A. E. Mackay were also undefeated, winning two and drawing one.

**K.C.C. 5½ ARMY 3½**  
At Sokkumpoo, Kowloon beat Army 5½-3½.

Col Newman and Capt Guest lost to A.E.P. Guest and F. Grose 3-6; T. Broadbridge and F. Zimmer 6-4; drew with F. Kengalbacker and N.A.E. Mackay, 6-6.

Capt Head and Capt Skelworth lost to Guest and Grose 3-6; lost to Zimmer and Broadbridge 6-4; beat Kengalbacker and Mackay 3-6.

**C.S.C.C. 0 S. CHINA 9**  
At Happy Valley, South China beat Civil Service 9-0.

J. A. Rendall and M. Yatskin lost to E. Y. Lee and H. C. Wong 6-0; lost to W. H. Ho and P. Szeto 2-6; lost to W. T. Lee and W. C. Hoh 1-6.

B. Agafuroff and W. J. Skinner lost to Lee and Wong 5-7; lost to Ho and Szeto 7-5; lost to Lee and Hoh 4-6.

C. Sloan and J. Hempsey lost to Lee and Wong 1-6; lost to Ho and Szeto 2-6; lost to Lee and Hoh 0-6.

**K. TONG 1½ C.R.C. 7½**  
At Home, Kowloon Tong lost to Chinese R.C. 7½-1½.

P. Y. Kwok and P. E. Ling lost to B. C. Luk and T. C. Chan 3-6; lost to K. L. Ho and O. L. Pang 4-6; beat S. W. H. Bee and Kio lost to Luk and Chan 2-6; lost to Ho and Pang 4-6; lost to Luk and Chan 6-6; lost to Ho and Pang 3-6; lost to Ling and Chov 2-6.

## Major Baseball

Tigers Defeat N. Y. Yankees

NEW YORK, June 3 (UP).—Detroit Tigers defeated New York Yankees 4-2 in the American Baseball League to-day. The Philadelphia-Chicago game in this circuit was washed out by rain, while the remaining fixtures, Boston v. Cleveland and St. Louis v. Washington, are nightcaps.

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and his place had been taken by Mr. R. G. Southerton. On the motion of Mr. Leach, seconded by Mr. Simpson, Brig-Gen. Macnaghten, was unanimously elected an honorary life member of the club.

**New Officers**

THE following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Dr. E. G. Gaunlett; vice-president, Mr. W. J. Monk; general committee, Messrs. H. S. Bartley, H. A. Coward, H. A. Crickmer, G. T. Gumbrell, D. W. Leach, P. V. Simpson, A. C. Sinclair, and B. K. Wallace.

## Golf

Tie For Royal Scots Trophy At Fanling

"The Royal Scots Trophy" of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, in aid of the R.W.O.F., played at Fanling in April and May, resulted as follows:

G. M. Park (5), T. Megarry (8) and E. L. Evelle (18) were 1 up. Capt. C. H. R. Hyde (15), T. A. Pearce (3), Lt-Col. E. D. Matthews (10), J. Harrop (14) and A. H. Penn (15) were all square. There were 200 entries at \$1 a card.

**Junior Championship**

In the Junior Section Championship of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, at Happy Valley, Mr. J. Butler beat A. L. Keown, V. Ahern beat R. M. Keown, J. Young beat D. W. Becken, and H. Smith beat T. B. Low, in the first round.

In the second round, T. C. Barclay beat F. C. Barry, Butler beat Ahern, Smith beat Young and G. E. Willerton beat J. Ward.

**Fanling Bogey Pool**

Playing in the Bogey (Par) Pool at Fanling on May 31 and June 2, A. W. Bourne, Jr., (9) was 1 up. There were 18 entries.

## Combined Gala at V.R.C. On July 26

European Y.M.C.A. and Victoria Recreation Club will combine to meet the Chinese in a major swimming attraction on July 26, in the V.R.C. pool, proceeds to be divided between the Bomber Fund and British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China.

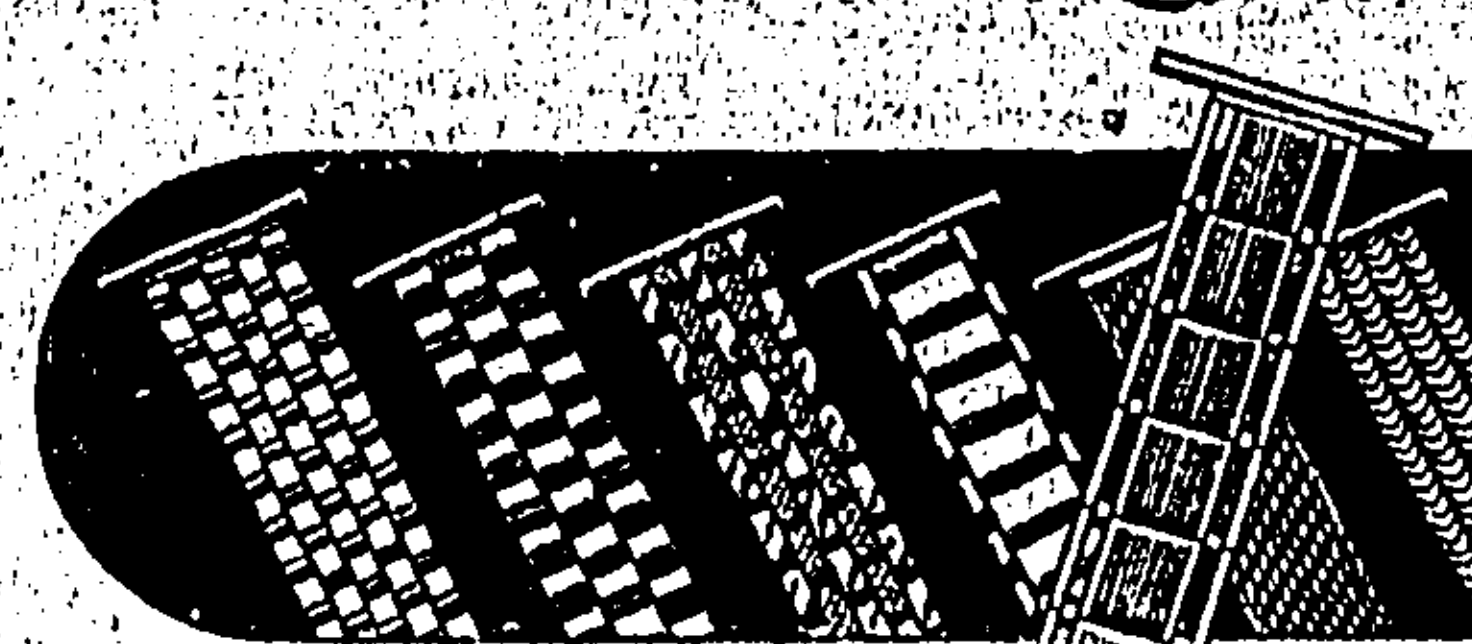
The following programme of events will be held:  
200 yards back-stroke relay (teams of four), 300 yards relay (teams of six), 100 yards medley relay (back-stroke, breast-stroke, free-style), 100 yards individual (two from each team), Women—200 yards relay (teams of six), 100 yards medley relay. School events—200 yards inter-school relay (teams of four). Services—inter-unit 50 yards (one swimmer per unit). Prices of admission will be \$5 (reserved seats), \$2, \$1.

## "VARSITY CRICKET" CELEBRATION

The Vice-Presidents of the Hongkong University Cricket Club, Prof. L. T. Ride, Dr. K. T. Loke, Dr. A. M. Rodrigues, and Mr. George Hong Choy, entertained the University first team to a celebration dinner on Monday on the occasion of their being senior League runners-up 1940-41, in the Golden City Restaurant. Prof. L. T. Ride proposed a toast to H. M. the King.

"Among those present were Prof. L. T. Ride, Dr. K. T. Loke, Dr. A. M. Rodrigues, Mr. George Hong Choy, Mr. K. S. Oh (Chairman), Messrs. N. C. San (Vice-Captain), C. N. Matthews (Vice-Captain), W. S. Goss, Tam Kong-ye, Joseph Tsui, J. Fenton, Dr. L. H. Tan (ex-officio), and Syed Mahmood (Hon. Secretary)."

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## French Move To Resist Attack

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permitting the use of the immobilised French fleet against the British.

Informed German quarters believed that the rumoured arrival of German troops in Syria was British inspired in order to provide a pretext for operations against Syria.

**Bombs On Beirut**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, June 3 (UP).—The National Broadcasting Company today heard Rome Radio announce that the British bombed Beirut "according to a message just received in Rome."

**German Transports**

NEW YORK, June 3 (Domel).—Five hundred German troops landed at Latakia, about 200 miles north of Beirut in Syria on May 29 and twelve German ships have since been engaged in transporting heavily-equipped troops from the Black Sea ports of Rumania, the "Associated Press" reports from Ankara.

According to the report, most of these transport ships after leaving Constantia in Rumania stop over at Rhodes Island and run the British naval blockade under cover of darkness in the night to reach Latakia and Tripoli in Syria and the voyage takes about a week.

While German aircraft are operating from the Aleppo, the Germans will probably attempt to secure northern Syria so that they may be able to dispatch troops and aircraft from Syrian bases for attacks on Iraq, Palestine and Cyprus Island, the "Associated Press" further reports.

**Syria To Fight**

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BEIRUT, June 3 (UP).—In a communique issued to-day, General Bentz reiterated that France will not yield Syria to any Power, including Germany.

**Emphatic Denial**

ISTANBUL, June 3 (UP).—Diplomatic sources, who are in close contact with Syria, as well as local well-informed circles deny emphatically that German motorised units have arrived in Syria.

So far only flyers, ground personnel, technicians, political agents and staff officers have arrived.

**Vichy Discussions**

VICHY, June 3 (UP).—Two complete sessions were sandwiched into Marshal Petain's and Admiral Darlan's technical talks with General Weygand to-day which stressed the importance of the decisions taken. It can be expected that there will be a decision to defend single-handedly, Syria and Tunisia against further British attacks.

Marshal Petain, after conferring with General Weygand this afternoon, re-convoked the same Ministerial meeting which met at the Hotel Parc at six p.m. and continued the examination of the Empire's defence program. The Government met until 8 p.m. after which no communique was issued, but despite General Weygand's presence, and his consultations with Marshal Petain and Admiral Darlan between the noon and evening Cabinet meetings, the official spokesman to-night explained: "We believe Government's deliberations were principally concerned over the creation of an advisory committee to handle French family problems and the relations between rural landowners and lessees."

**Adana And Syria**

ANKARA, June 3 (Reuter).—The Turks continue to be highly concerned over Syria. Deputy Sadak, writing in the "Akşam," which is close to the Foreign Office, states that France has no claim to Adana nor Syria.

"The Turks only gave up their claims on condition that the country was granted independence. 'It is lunacy for a defeated France to talk about claims to Adana. What connection has this with Franco-German rapprochement?"

"From political and military viewpoints, it is imperative that Britain take over Syria, especially as military experts now hold that the Germans will try to establish themselves in Syria prior to attacking Cyprus."

**Turks Urge Action**

LONDON, June 3 (Reuter).—Broadcasting from Ankara late on Tuesday night, the National Broadcasting Corporation's correspondent, Martin Agronsky, said: "The British continue concentrating troops in Palestine, Iraq and on Syria's southern and eastern frontiers while the Nazis quickly and rapidly strengthen each day their grip on the political and military realm of French mandated territory."

"The actual Nazi troop strength in Syria is still too small for effective action but it is hoped in this part of the world that the British will not make the fatal mistake of underestimating the Nazi ability for speed and organization as they have done so many times in the past in the Middle East."

## S. M. C. LIVESTOCK DEAL WITH JAPANESE

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SHANGHAI, June 4 (UP).—The Municipal Council announced that the Municipal abattoir will be leased for one year to the Shanghai Livestock Market Company, a Japanese concern, for a figure believed to be 137,000 Yuan.

Council officials denied that a livestock monopoly under Japanese control is being contemplated, stating that private slaughter houses will be operated in the settlement as usual.

"They asserted that since the Livestock Market Company imports most of its livestock into Shanghai from Japanese-controlled areas outside Shanghai, its winning result in the competition for the middle man and probably reduce prices to the consumer."

"The Council also stated that all

## FINNS TO PAY WAR DEBTS

Finland, which lost its standing as the only up-to-date payer on World War debts to the United States, last December, contracted recently with the U.S. Treasury to catch up.

Finnish Minister Hjalmar J. Procope and Treasury Secretary Henry Morgenthau, Jr., signed an agreement under which Finland will pay up in 10 annual instalments, with interest at three per cent, the \$235,398 semi-annual instalment which Finland failed to pay last Dec. 15.

Finland owes the U.S. Treasury altogether \$8,120,622, but most of it has not come due. Finland also has received \$35,000,000 credits from the Export-Import Bank.

Technically, Finland is not in default because a joint resolution of Congress authorised postponement of the payment.

The first payment on the new contract, \$13,095, will be made by Finland on June 15. A similar amount will be due Dec. 15.

## LATE NEWS

## Nazis Using French Ships

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 4 (UP).—The Istanbul correspondent of the London "Daily Herald" says that it is reliably reported that the Germans are fitting out French freighters at Constantia for a large-scale transportation of troops and war materials to northern Syria.

The correspondent adds that it is confirmed in Ankara that Germans are travelling into Syria through Turkey with Bulgarian passports.

## NAZI CONSUL'S REQUEST

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

SAN FRANCISCO, June 3 (UP).—The German Consul, Captain Fritz Wiedemann has sent a letter to the U.S. Draft Board asking them not to conscript Edgar Schultz, son of a member of the Consul staff.

The Consul explained that in the event of the United States and Germany being at war, Schultz would be forced to return to Germany.

## Naval Attache's Suicide

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, June 4 (UP).—The American Embassy announces that an Assistant Naval Attache, Lieut. Walter R. Jones has committed suicide near Londonderry, Ireland.

An Embassy spokesman said that Lieut. Jones had been in ill-health and was near to a nervous breakdown.

A Belfast report says that Lieut. Jones was found on Monday stabbed to death with a bayonet in his cabin aboard a British warship at Londonderry. The fatal wounds were apparently self-inflicted.

## Hitler-Mussolini To 'Protect' Syria

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democracy if only they saw Syria support within reach.

General Catroux, the Free French C-in-C in the Near East, is believed to be in Egypt and perhaps General Charles de Gaulle, the Free French leader, is also there.

The immediate occupation of Syria headed by the Free French should be undertaken forthwith.

**A Safe Line**

If the R.A.F. is solidly established along the whole Eastern Mediterranean coast, line from Aleppo to Haifa, backed by firm bases in Iraq and the Persian Gulf, Cyprus will be safe and the British naval base at Alexandria will be secure.

Delay in the occupation of Syria permitting a Nazi occupation there would jeopardise all. Grave consequences are in the balance and Britain must not be slow in using her power. With the Syrian air fields in British hands, British control of the Eastern Mediterranean would be assured, provided only that the R.A.F. is strongly reinforced in the Middle East.

Here is a decisive point and now is the decisive moment.

**Gayda's Declaration**

ROME, June 3 (UP).—Writing in the "Giornale d'Italia" to-day, Signor Gayda states, "This is the moment for action. During the long conference, Hitler and Mussolini undoubtedly examined the results of the war cycle just completed, after which they outlined plans for a new phase of the war which will commence immediately for the victorious Axis forces."

"To-day, a new offensive must be launched. England cries for United States help. The Axis Powers can mass its reserves of military and political forces in both Europe and other parts of the world for either defence or offence."

## NAZIS ABANDON GOTHIC TYPE IN PRESS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, June 3 (Domel).—The German Press has suddenly abandoned its characteristic Gothic print and is appearing in Latin print, the same standard lettering as used in English and French, in preparation for a new order in German culture.

Hitherto the Nazi Government has stressed Nazism and has fostered the traditional Gothic script, but the era when Germany hung on to the motto of "One People, One Nation and One Leader" is already past, giving place to a progressive era under which it is contemplated to include Europe, Africa and the Near East in the new order.

With Latinized print now being international, it is planned to launch German culture on a gigantic scale internationally.

## Tons Of Rivets Said Stolen From Taikoo Docks

Alleged to have received 24 tons of rivets, valued at \$1,094, which had been stolen from the Taikoo Docks, Lo Tak-hin, 36, broker, of 179 Jaffe Road, and Chung Yung-ping, 32, clerk of 435 King's Road, were charged with receiving stolen property before Mr. A. N. Macfadyen at Central Magistracy this morning.

It was stated that Sub-Inspector Fowle and Sergeant Kinlock received information and visited No. 150 Electric Road. The rivets were found in Defendants' possession.

Defendants were remanded for 48 hours for further enquiries.

Sergeant Kinlock was in charge of the case.

## AXIS MINISTERS' TOKYO TALKS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, June 3 (Domel).—Major General Eugen Ott, the German Ambassador to Japan, called on the Foreign Minister, Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, at the Foreign Office at 2.30 p.m. to-day, and conferred for about an hour.

The Italian Ambassador to Japan, Signor Mario Imbelli, called on Mr. Chuichi Ohara, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, at the Foreign Office at 5 p.m. and conferred for about an hour. The contents of the interviews were not disclosed.

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